SOUNDS ON THE SHORE

The first ever Sounds on the Shore festival took place this weekend and was rated an outstanding success. Thousands of festival goers enjoyed 2 days of top performers, exciting new talent and even some sunshine!

There was a wide variety of musical genres, with something for everyone on the 4 stages. Headline performers included chart-toppers Castille, rock legends The Heralds and international dj Kelvin Morris. Local folk band Hickory Smoke received rapturous applause on the unsigned stage and have now signed their first major recording deal. Former Aberdeen University students, Sorrelli, closed the festival on Saturday night with a rousing set culminating in a spectacular fireworks show over the sea.

Feedback from performers has been very positive with many already putting the festival in their diaries for next year. Backstage facilities and security procedures in particular were highly praised. Feedback from ticket holders on our Twitter and Facebook pages has been enthusiastic, although many suggest that the camping facilities could be improved. Catch up with all the gossip, chat and pictures at #soundsontheshore.

Police Scotland stated that there had been only a few arrests, mostly for breach of the peace and praised the behaviour of the crowds over the 2 days. Aberdeen Council added that they received a handful of complaints regarding noise and litter, and that the majority of nearby residents were happy with the way the festival had been run.