

Festival confirms final line up

LEESTOCK
Music Festival



A FESTIVAL held in memory of a 21-year-old man who died after a four-year fight against cancer has announced its full line up.

LeeStock, an annual two-day music festival in Ludbury, was set up to raise money for the Willow Foundation after popular musician Lee Dunford's died of Hodgkin's disease in 2006.

Organised by Lee's close friends, the festival is now in its fourth year and has raised more than £16,000 for the foundation – a national charity dedicated to improving the quality of life for seriously ill young adults between 16 and 40 years of age.

A number of local bands have agreed to play at the event, which takes place at the White Horse Pub in North Street, on May 28 and 29.

But the real coup for organisers, Edd Keogh and

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his brothers Matt and Peter, has been the addition of two headline acts.

Dodgy, a British trio who recorded three top 10 singles and are best known for their hits *Staying Out for the Summer* and *Good Enough*, will headline on the Saturday, with Mark Morris, lead singer of the Bluetones, taking centre stage on the Sunday.

Matt Priest, from Dodgy, said: "In the 10 years we were apart, loads of great little festivals, run by good, decent people raising cash for great causes, have sprung up and, now we're back together, we're being asked to play them, which is great.

"The work the Willow Foundation do is amazing – helping seriously ill young people who should be in the prime of their lives forget about their problems for a day."

Other artists playing include The Crimson Dixies, Wildlife, Lemonparty, The Four Fives, Bill Davro, Andrew Heller and The Seasideers.

Bluetones frontman Mark Morris added: "It is a great honour to be asked to play an event which clearly has such importance to all those involved. I'm very much looking forward to what promises to be a great celebration."

In the run-up to the festival, a number of events have been planned, including an annual fancy dress pub crawl, a battle of the bands-style night and the Lee Dunford Memorial Cup football match on Friday, May 27.

Festival tickets priced £15 are available from the White Horse or by visiting www.wegotickets.com/leestock. All profits go to the Willow Foundation. To sponsor the festival, or to volunteer help with the organisation and set-up, email matt@leestock.org or call 07790 431127.