

# Pikey Beatz at The Cluny

A review of Pikey Beatz at The Cluny, April 8th 2012



Pikey Beatz is a seven-piece reggae band hailing from Northumberland. Led by singer Wilf Stone, the group consists of Kyle Wilson – a ukulele player who raps – Hannah Reed on accordion and saxophone, Dann Jupp on bass, Niall McSherry on lead guitar and Tom Reed on drums.

At The Cluny on Easter Sunday, they took to the stage at 8 pm and soon had the sold-out crowd jumping and dancing. A cover of Reel to Reel’s classic 90s hit ‘I Like to Move It’ certainly struck a chord, but several songs offered more serious themes too.

Why Riot? for example, asks: “Why riot when you could write poetry, don’t you understand that we live in a democracy. The system has let us down, but destroying local businesses doesn’t help us get back off the ground.”

Pikey Beatz’s debut album is now available at Hexham’s Core Music. Or, you can buy a copy at their next show at The Cumberland Arms on 29th April.

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