



To: Nadine Dorries MP - Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport.

Dear Nadine,

Cornwall 2025: *Leading from the Edge*

We are writing to draw your attention to Cornwall's exciting bid to be UK City of Culture 2025 following the decision to broaden the bidding criteria.

Our bid, Cornwall 2025: *Leading from the Edge*, builds on Cornwall's strong culture and heritage as well as our world class superfast broadband connectivity to accelerate the growth of our strong and nationally significant Creative Industries cluster, especially in film, gaming, virtual reality and theatre.

The theme of our bid; *People, Place and Planet* is focussed on our distinctive environment and a cultural response to climate change and the transition to carbon neutrality. This is the challenge of our age and we plan to use this and Cornwall's powerful global brand to turn UK City of Culture into a global event with real purpose.

Our recent hosting of the G7, in partnership with UK Government, has highlighted our capability to deliver large scale events in the global spotlight and our cultural institutions featured strongly with visits from leaders from across the World. Similarly, the start of this year's Tour of Britain cycling race was a triumph of public participation.

We have the pedigree and partnerships to deliver. This includes World Heritage Sites; Eden Project; Tate; Falmouth University; Exeter University; six National Portfolio Organisations and a community of over five thousand people in the Creative Industries. All backed by the private sector and one of the largest Local Authorities in the country. More information on our bid can be found here: [Cornwall 2025 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Local Enterprise Partnership \(cioslep.com\)](https://www.cioslep.com).

The people of Cornwall are great hosts and there is widespread political, community and business support for our bid. Cornwall wants to be UK City of Culture because it will boost our economic recovery, increase cultural participation and engage the nation in our passion for the environment.

Cornwall is ready to be UK City of Culture in 2025.

Yours sincerely,

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