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**RE: Town of Culture**

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Hi Laura,

This is great news. Please do let me know if there is anything I can do to help. It would be fantastic to have my home town named as a Town of Culture.

Kind regards,



**Rachel Taylor MP**  
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**From:** Atherstone Partnership <[chairman@atherstone-partnership.co.uk](mailto:chairman@atherstone-partnership.co.uk)>

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**Subject:** Re: Town of Culture

Hello,

I'm just including Rach and Steph from NWBC, I did raise this at our joint meeting the other week between, town, borough and county councils.

We are indeed going to put in a proposal, I've written a whole selection of content and aim to email this to Rach and Steph who are having an internal meeting on Thursday.

Laura

**Laura Donnelly - Chairperson**

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On 2 Feb 2026, at 20:43, DOSANJH, Satvir <[satvir.dosanjh@parliament.uk](mailto:satvir.dosanjh@parliament.uk)> wrote:

Hi all,

Hope you are well.

I am reaching out regarding the UK Town of Culture competition. Our office may have already spoken to you regarding this.

[First ever UK Town of Culture competition to restore pride in communities - GOV.UK](#)

Rachel was keen for me to pass on and suggest Atherstone put in a bid, if possible, jointly led by Atherstone Town Council and Atherstone Partnership along with Heritage Centre. This could focus on the many cultural assets Atherstone has including the Ball Game, Heritage, Big Weekender, Dickens Night, Motor Show, Cycle Race, Josh Pugh / TV connection.

So we wanted to check if you had any thoughts on this and if tis would be possible form your perspective?

Please do let us know how we can support.

Kind regards,

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**Satvir Dosanjh**

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