

Durham2025 City of Culture bid – video transcript

[Text: D2025]

[Soundtrack: Upbeat music plays for the duration of the video.]

[Video Clips: A female and male adult and two children sitting at a picnic bench waving at the camera, in the background are deckchairs and market stalls. Four women sitting at tables outside a bar waving at the camera, the name Dempsey's is on the window behind them. A crowd of people standing on a grassy area in the middle of a food festival.]

[Narrator] Durham is no ordinary county.

[Video Clips: An arial sort of green moor land covered in purple flowers. An arial shot of the coastline with the sea, cliffs, and beach visible, the sun is rising on the horizon.]

[Narrator] From the Dales to the coast, this is our breath-taking and inspiring home. A home that we're passionate about - and proud of.

[Video Clips: A woman and small child running in the Durham City Run. A group of people taking part in a run through a city street. An arial short of an old semi-ruined building next to an river. A waterfall with cliffs on either side.]

[Narrator] From its wild natural spaces and ancient roots. Its rich history and industrial soul.

[Video Clips: A steam train travelling toward the camera. A family looking at a selection of trains from different historical periods in a museum. Musicians performing on a stage with pyrotechnics going off being them. A number of cyclists wearing cycling gear at the start of a race.]

[Narrator] With a vibrant and bold culture and an ambitious attitude.

[Video Clips: A woman performing in front of a group of people sitting on grass. A group of musicians wearing traditional Indian clothing performing in front of an audience sitting on grass. A cricketer bowling and another hitting the ball. A woman standing outside a modern building covered in different coloured panels. Two young women walking in front of a modern building A whale generated by lighting effects emerging from a river. A team of rowers on a river. Two people on an illumined see-saw being watched by other people. A band wearing multi-coloured clothes performing in a field in front of a group of young people. A arial shot of an old fashioned town square with a bandstand and shops visible. A horse drawn carriage been driven down an old fashioned street, the people driving the carriage are wearing Victorian clothing. A brass band performing outdoors.]

[Narrator] In Durham We champion tradition We embrace innovation.

[Video Clips: A piece of electronic equipment generating sparks. A group of people marching with banners through the street. A group of people marching with banners over a bridge. A group of people standing on a street, in the background banners are visible. An arial shot of

an town by the coast, the sea, beach, green land, and streets with buildings are visible. A man serving food from a stall covered in bunting. An external shot of a large historical building with a group of people walking in front of it. A family looking at a statue of a soldier. A shot of the statue of the soldier with crowds walking past (this clip has been speeded up so people are walking past quickly). Three people wearing t-shirts saying D2025 walking past purple banners also saying D2025. A family walking toward the entrance of a historical building. An ariel shot of an old lead mine. A shot of the camera panning along a river toward an old bridge.]

[Narrator] Our spirit is a thing of celebration. Durham is the county where everything happens.

[Video Clips: Three knights carrying banners riding horses at night. A group of people dressed in medieval clothing carrying flaming torches at night.]

[Narrator] We come together to honour our past and light up our future.

[Video Clips: A cathedral being illuminated at night. A child wearing a hat and scarf looking upward. A group of people of different ages pulling treads linked to lights arranged in a cloud shape. An ariel shot of a cathedral.]

[Narrator] And this is our time. Our time to show that Durham is more than anyone could imagine. Durham is no ordinary county.

[Text: D2025 UK City of Culture Bid.]

[Video Clips Two children dressed as Harry Potter characters standing outside a cathedral door waving their wands at the camera.]

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