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Norwich makes bold bid to join Athens and Paris as European capital of culture

NORWICH is to bid to become one of the prestigious European Capitals of Culture.

If successful, the award would put Norwich on a par with previous winners such as Paris and Athens.

Civic leaders have already begun to prepare the bid for the European Capital of Culture contest for 2008, when a British city will be chosen to hold the title. Former mayor,

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Councillor Doug Underwood, today said he hoped everyone in the city would get behind the bid.

If Norwich were successful in picking up the honour it would mean the possibility of more investment coming into the area, more jobs, a boost for tourism as well as putting Norwich in

the international spotlight. Events such as the Norfolk and Norwich Festival and the Lord Mayor's celebrations and developments like the Millennium Library and the new Castle Museum will form the centrepiece of the approach.

And bid organisers are not being deterred by the fact they are likely to be up against bigger rivals, such as Newcastle and Gateshead

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