

Terms and Conditions – Children’s ‘Design the Panto of the Future’ art competition 2026

1. This competition is owned and managed by South Oxfordshire District Council (“the Council”) whose registered office is at Abbey House, Abbey Close, Abingdon OX14 3JE

2. The competition is open to children aged 12 and under who are residents of South Oxfordshire district except (a) employees of South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils (b) anyone directly involved in the administration, promotion or operation of the competition (c) anyone judging the competition (d) anyone who may have been involved with donations towards the competition or (e) members of the immediate families or households of (a)(b)(c) and (d) above

- Entries can be a comic strip, a storyboard or a poster– entries must be sent via email either scanned or a photo. Only digital entries will be considered and only one entry per child is permitted.
- Judges are looking for entries with creative ideas about the panto of the future.
- Entries must be the child’s own original work and must not infringe the intellectual property rights or other rights of any third party.
- The entry judged to have the most creative ideas and relevance to the theme ‘panto of the future’ will win the prize of a family ticket for four people which can be taken one date between 27 and 30 December 2026 (inclusive). The judges’ decision is final.
- Entries will be judged by a panel appointed by the Council, which will include at least one independent member, in this case, a member of the cast of the Cornerstone 2026 panto – Jack and the Beanstalk.

3. There is no entry fee and no purchase is necessary to enter this competition. Entry into the competition is achieved by submitting a design via email

4. The competition is open to children aged 12 and under who are resident in South Oxfordshire. Entries must be submitted on behalf of the child by their parent or legal guardian or school. By submitting an entry, the parent or legal guardian or school confirms that they consent to the child's participation in the competition and agree to these terms and conditions on the child's behalf.

5. All entries must be submitted by email to communications@southandvale.gov.uk. No responsibility can be accepted by the Council for late entries or entries not received for whatever reason.

6. The closing date for entries is on 1 November 2026 at 23.59pm. After this time no further entries to the competition will be permitted.

7. The prize is as stated and no cash or other alternatives will be offered. The prize is not transferable.

8. The winner will be contacted by email within 7 days of being chosen, using the email address provided at entry. If a winner cannot be contacted or does not respond to claim the prize within 14 days of notification, the Council reserves the right to withdraw the prize from the winner and select the next high-scoring eligible entry as determined by the judging panel in accordance with the procedure described above.

9. The Council's decision in respect of all matters to do with the competition, including cancelling the competition, will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

10. Insofar as is permitted by law, the Council will not in any circumstances be responsible or liable to compensate a winner or accept any liability for any loss, damage, personal injury or death occurring as a result of taking up the prize except where it is caused by the negligence of the Council or that of their employees. Your statutory rights are not affected. The Council shall not be responsible for technical failures, website unavailability, internet interruptions or other issues that may prevent participation.

11. Copyright in each entry will remain with the entrant. By submitting an entry, the entrant's parent or legal guardian grants the Council a non-exclusive, royalty free license to reproduce and use entries as part of our promotional work including on social media, unless entrants indicate otherwise. Any personal data will be used solely in accordance with current UK data protection legislation and will not be disclosed to a third party or displayed without the entrant's prior consent. Personal data supplied during the course of this competition will be processed by the Council for the purposes of administering the competition, contacting the winner and awarding the prize. Personal data will be processed in accordance with the Council's privacy policy.

12. This promotion is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with, Facebook or any other Social Network. You are providing your information to South Oxfordshire District Council and not to any other party.

13. See also the [Council's Privacy Policy](#) for how we handle your personal data.