

# Havant Thicket Reservoir Tunnel Boring Machine Naming Competition 2026

## Terms and Conditions

### 1. Promoter

The promoter of this competition is Portsmouth Water Limited (“Portsmouth Water”).

### 2. Competition Overview

2.1 The Havant Thicket Reservoir TBM Naming Competition invites eligible children to submit name ideas for two Tunnel Boring Machines (TBMs) used in the Havant Thicket Reservoir pipeline project.

2.2 A total of **two winners will be selected**:

- One from the Primary School age category
- One from the Secondary School age category

### 3. Eligibility

3.1 The competition is open to children aged 4–16 who attend schools within the following postcode areas: PO7, PO8, PO9, PO10, PO11.

3.2 Entries will be divided into two categories:

- **Primary:** Ages 4–11 (Reception to Year 6 or equivalent)
- **Secondary:** Ages 12–16 (Year 7 to Year 11 or equivalent)

3.3 Entrants must have permission from a parent or legal guardian to take part.

3.4 Entries will not be accepted from the employees of Portsmouth Water, its contractors, or partner organisations directly involved in the Havant Thicket Reservoir project, and their family members.

### 4. Entry Requirements

4.1 Each entry must include:

- A proposed name for a Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM)
- A short explanation of the name (1–2 sentences)
- Child’s name
- Age or school year
- School name
- Parent/guardian contact details (email and/or mobile number)

4.2 An optional drawing may be included but is not required.

4.3 **Only one entry per child** will be permitted, and joint submissions are not allowed.

4.4 Entries must be submitted on the paper entry form provided via the relevant school

### 5. Opening and Closing Dates

5.1 The competition opens on 15th June 2026.

5.2 The closing date for entries is 6pm on 16th July 2026.

5.3 Entries received after the closing date will not be considered.

### 6. Judging and Shortlisting

6.1 All entries will be reviewed by Portsmouth Water’s Communications team.



6.2 Entries will be shortlisted based on:

- Appropriateness, i.e. brands, trademarks or profanity should not be used
- Originality
- Relevance to the project, water, the environment, or the local area

6.3 Shortlisted entries will be judged by a panel of representatives from Portsmouth Water, project partners and a representative of the Havant Thicket Reservoir Independent Stakeholder Advisory Group.

6.4 Judging will assess all entries fairly against the stated criteria with identifying information, such as name and school, anonymised

6.5 Portsmouth Water will ensure the judging process is conducted in good faith and in a fair and transparent manner.

6.6 Portsmouth Water reserves the right not to select a winner in a category if, in its reasonable opinion, no entries meet the required standard.

6.7 **All decisions made by Portsmouth Water on all matters relating to the competition are final**, and no correspondence will be entered into.

6.8 In the event of the winning name being submitted by more than one entrant then up to 3 joint winners may be selected. Each entrant would receive a full prize. If more than 3 entrants submit the same winning name, then the top 3 shall be selected at random.

## 7. Judging Criteria

Entries will be assessed on:

- Creativity
- Relevance to the project
- Strength and clarity of explanation
- Suitability for long-term use

The optional drawing will support understanding but will not form the primary basis of judging.

## 8. Prizes

8.1 Each winner will receive:

- A certificate
- A goody bag of project-themed items and merchandise
- An invitation to the naming ceremony for the child and up to two parents/guardians and representative from the child's school (i.e. a teacher). Travel expenses not included.

8.2 Finalists may receive certificates.

8.3 Prizes are not negotiable, non-transferable and no cash alternative will be offered.

8.5 Prizes are awarded to the child entrant and are not intended to form part of any employment-related benefit or incentive scheme.

8.6 Prizes will be fulfilled within 30 days timeframe following confirmation of the winners.

## 9. Winner Notification and Announcement

9.1 Winning entrants will be contacted via the parent or guardian using the contact details provided (email or phone). The winner's school will also be notified.

9.2 Winners will be announced in September 2026.

9.3 Portsmouth Water may announce winners publicly, including via:

- Social media
- Website
- Press and communications materials



## 10. Use of Entries

10.1 By entering, participants (and their parent/guardian) agree that Portsmouth Water may:

- Use the submitted name(s) for the TBMs
- Publish the child's first name, age, and general location (e.g. town or school)
- Share submitted drawings in communications and promotional materials
- Take photographs and/or video recordings at any competition-related event and use these in Portsmouth Water's communications and promotional materials (including website, social media, and press). A photography consent form will be sent to the winners' parents/guardians for completion.

10.2 No additional payment will be made for use of submitted entries.

## 11. Data Protection

11.1 Personal data will be processed in accordance with applicable data protection legislation.

11.2 Data collected will be used for:

- Managing the competition and dealing with who owns or can use the content submitted as part of it.
- Contacting the parent or guardian of the winning entrants, and their school.

11.3 Personal data relating to all entrants will be retained for up to 3 months following the close of the competition. Personal data relating to the winning entrants (and their parent or legal guardian) will be retained for 6 years for audit, legal and record-keeping purposes, after which it will be securely deleted.

11.4 Personal data will be processed in accordance with the Portsmouth Water's Privacy Notice, available at [https://www.portsmouthwater.co.uk/about-us/legal-notice/.](https://www.portsmouthwater.co.uk/about-us/legal-notice/))

## 12. Safeguarding and Consent

12.1 A parent or guardian must provide consent for entry, acceptance of these terms and for any public recognition.

12.2 No child will be contacted directly without parental/guardian involvement.

12.3 Where photographs or video recordings are taken, specific consent will be obtained from the child's parent or legal guardian prior to any use.

## 13. General Conditions

13.1 Portsmouth Water reserves the right to:

- Disqualify entries that are incomplete, inappropriate, or do not meet the criteria
- Amend, suspend, or withdraw the competition if necessary

13.2 The competition is free to enter and no purchase is required.

13.3 By entering, participants agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions.

13.4 These terms and conditions shall be governed by English law, and the parties submit to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

## 14. Liability

14.1 Portsmouth Water accepts no responsibility for entries that are lost, delayed, incomplete, or not successfully submitted due to technical issues or any other reason beyond its reasonable control.

14.2 Portsmouth Water is not responsible for any technical failures, including issues with online submission systems, internet access, or third-party platforms.

14.3 Limitation of liability in so far as is permitted by law, Portsmouth Water or its partners will not in any circumstances be responsible or liable to compensate the 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 Portsmouth Water, its agents or distributors or that of their employees. Your statutory rights are not affected



## 15. Ethical Transparency

15.1 This competition is intended as a community engagement initiative to support awareness of the Havant Thicket Reservoir project.

15.2 Entry into the competition is not connected with the provision of any supply or services by Portsmouth Water.

## 16. Ownership of competition entries and intellectual property rights

16.1 All competition entries and any accompanying material submitted to Portsmouth Water will become the property of the Portsmouth Water on receipt and will not be returned.

16.2 By submitting your competition entry and any accompanying material, you agree to: (a) assign to Portsmouth Water all your intellectual property rights with full title guarantee; and (b) waive all moral rights, in and to your competition entry and otherwise arising in connection with your entry to which you may now or at any time in the future be entitled under the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 as amended from time to time and under all similar legislation from time to time in force anywhere in the world.

16.3 You agree that Portsmouth Water may, but is not required to, make your entry available on the Portsmouth Water website and any other media, whether now known or invented in the future, and in connection with any publicity of the competition. You agree to grant Portsmouth Water a nonexclusive, worldwide, irrevocable licence, for the full period of any intellectual property rights in the competition entry, to use, display, publish, transmit, copy, edit, alter, store, re-format and sub-licence the competition entry for such purposes.

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1.0	June 26	All	Initial Terms and Conditions Created