

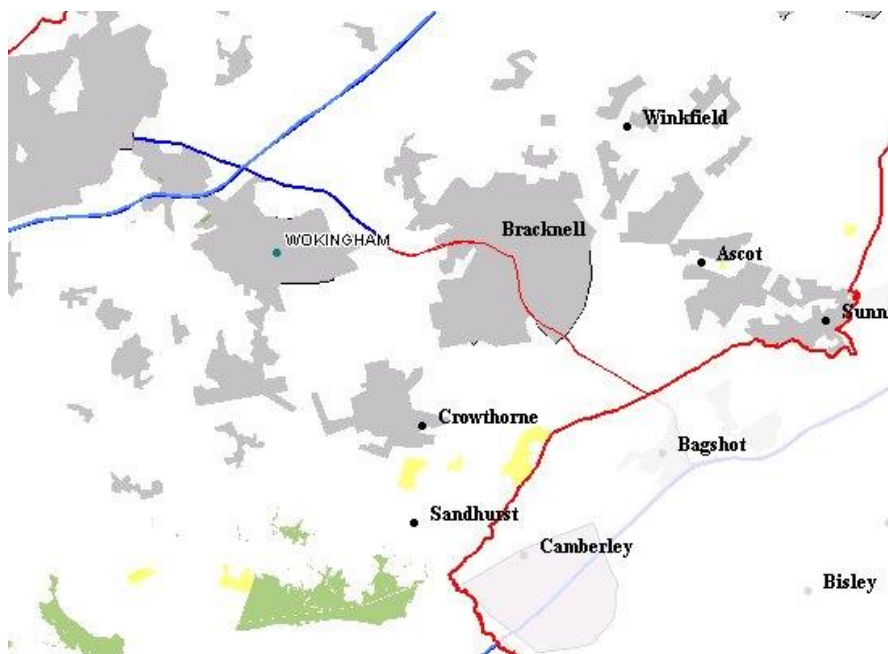
## Mapping Access Land in England

The Countryside Agency is preparing maps of all open country and registered common land in England (the Countryside Council for Wales is carrying out the same task in Wales). This is a statutory duty under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000.

### The Process

- Production of draft maps for the whole of England, on a rolling programme. To make this easier the country has been divided into eight mapping areas.
- Public consultations on all the draft maps. During each three month consultation any member of the public can submit a comment on the draft map.
- Having considered all comments a provisional map for each area will be published. Those with a legal interest in a parcel of land (such as land owners, tenants and those with sporting rights) will be able to appeal to the Secretary of State.
- When provisional maps have been amended a conclusive map will be issued.
- Finally, the Secretary of State has decided that the conclusive maps will be rolled out on a mapping area by mapping area basis. The first two areas will be available during summer 2004.

### Current Provisional Map showing Bracknell Forest:



#### Key:

Yellow - open country

Green - registered common land

For more information, see the Countryside Agency website:  
<http://www.countryside.gov.uk/access/accessopencountryside.htm>