

**COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY ACT 2000:
SUMMARY REPORT ON THE CONCLUSIVE MAP FOR THE EAST
OF ENGLAND**



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1. Introduction

Under Part 1, Chapter 1, Section 4 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, the Countryside Agency has a duty to prepare maps of registered common land and open country in England. This mapping process has three stages and involves producing draft and provisional maps before issuing maps in conclusive form.

For mapping purposes, England has been divided into eight areas. When provisional maps for each area have been issued, people with a legal interest in land that has been mapped as open country or registered common land have a three month period in which they can appeal. The appeal is made to the Planning Inspectorate on one of the following grounds:

- the land is incorrectly shown as registered common land
- the land is incorrectly shown as open country
- the Countryside Agency has inappropriately used its discretion with regard to the boundaries of open country.

An Inspector appointed by PINS will hear the Appellant's and the Agency's case and will make a decision. If the appeal is upheld the Secretary of State will instruct the Countryside Agency to make modifications and include these on the conclusive map.

The provisional map for the East of England (Area 8) was issued by the Countryside Agency in June 2004 and was subject to a three month appeals period until September 2004.

2. Production of the Conclusive Map

After the close of this appeals period the Planning Inspectorate considered all the valid appeals. Each appeal that was not withdrawn resulted in one of three decisions:

- if the appeal was 'allowed' the whole appeal site was removed and does not appear on the conclusive map;
- if the appeal was 'allowed in part' part of the site was removed and the remainder of the site appears as open country or registered common land on the conclusive map;
- if the appeal was 'dismissed' no changes were made to the map.

3. Results of the appeals process

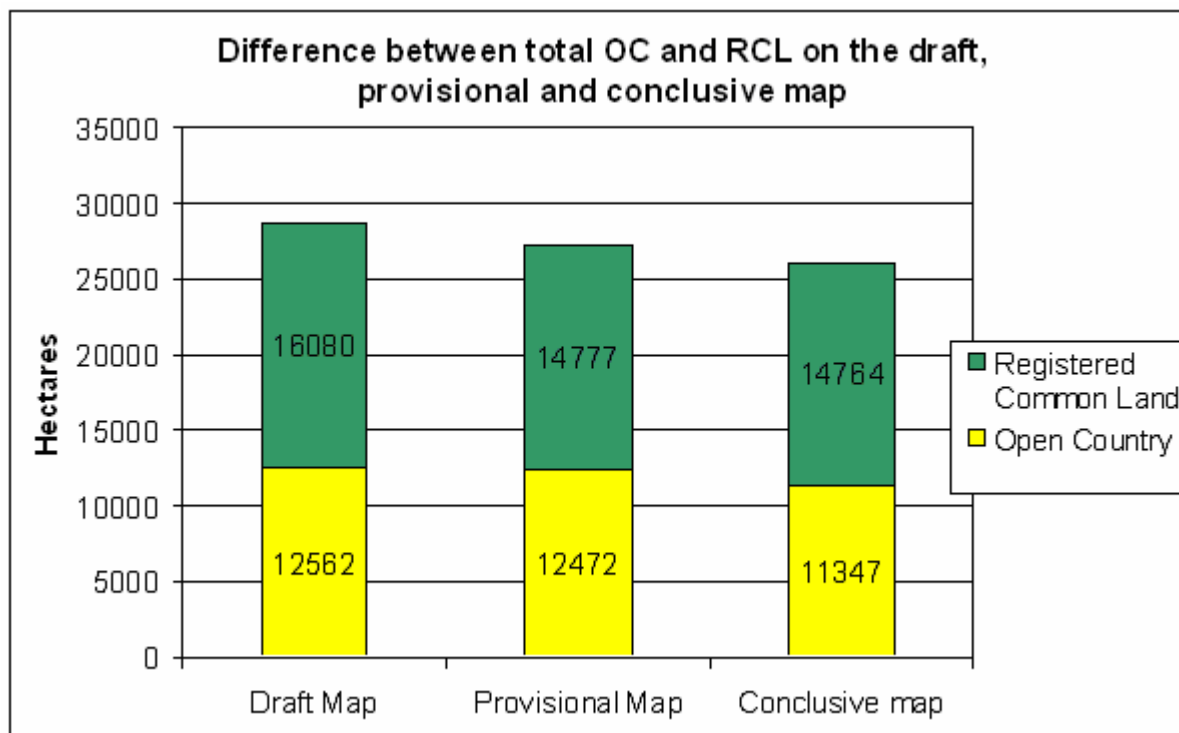
As the appeals process only allowed land to be removed from the provisional map there was a net reduction in the amount of open country and registered common land shown on the conclusive map.

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Table 1. Comparison of open country (OC) and registered common land (RCL) between the draft, provisional and conclusive maps for the East of England, indicating that approximately 96% of the total area mapped at provisional stage has remained on the conclusive map.

Area (hectares) of the West of England (Mapping Area 8)	3,594,745	3,594,745	3,594,745
	Draft Map	Provisional Map	Conclusive Map
OC & RCL			
Total area of OC & RCL mapped (hectares)	28,642	27,250	26,111
% of mapping area covered by OC & RCL	0.80%	0.76%	0.73%
OPEN COUNTRY			
Area of OC mapped (hectares)	12,562	12,472	11,347
% of mapping area covered by OC	0.35%	0.35%	0.32%
REGISTERED COMMON LAND			
Area of RCL mapped (hectares)	16,080	14,777	14,764
% of mapping area covered by RCL	0.45%	0.41%	0.41%

Fig 1. Illustrates the land change between total open country and registered common land shown on the draft map, provisional map and conclusive map



4. Summary description of the Area 8 Conclusive Map

The East of England mapping area covers 3,594,745 hectares (35,947 square kilometres). The mapping region includes parts of Barnsley, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, City of Kingston Upon Hull, City of Nottingham, City of Peterborough, Doncaster, East Riding of Yorkshire, Essex, Greater London, Hertfordshire, Leeds, Lincolnshire, Luton, Norfolk, North East Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire, North Yorkshire, Nottinghamshire, Rotherham, Rutland, Sheffield, Southend-On-Sea, Suffolk, Thurrock, Wakefield and York

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The percentage of the East area that has been shown on the conclusive map as registered common land or open country is 0.73%. This consists of 14,764 hectares of registered common land, and 11,347 hectares of open country. The overall change in land shown on the conclusive map as registered common land or open country from that shown on the provisional map is a reduction of 4%, with the majority of this change being due to a reduction in the amount of open country.

Table 2. Statistics for Access Authorities in Area 8 indicating open country and registered common land cover.

County / Local Authority	Total Area of Land (hectares)	Total OC and RCL (hectares)	% covered by OC/RCL	OC (hectares)	% covered by OC	RCL (hectares)	% covered by RCL
Barking and Dagenham	3,777.9	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Barnet	8,673.7	101.7	1.2%	0.0	0.0%	101.7	1.2%
Barnsley	32,905.2	3090.2	9.4%	3,053.3	9.3%	36.9	0.1%
Bedfordshire	119,207.7	725.6	0.6%	390.0	0.3%	335.6	0.3%
Brent	4,323.5	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Cambridge-shire	305,399.7	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	731.8	0.2%
Camden	2,179.6	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
City of London	315.1	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
City of Kingston Upon Hull	8,149.4	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
City of Nottingham	7,461.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
City of Peterborough	34,344.9	73.5	0.2%	25.2	0.1%	48.3	0.1%
City of Westminster	2,203.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Doncaster	56,852.1	1241.4	2.2%	0.0	0.0%	1,241.4	2.2%
Ealing	5,552.8	27.3	0.5%	0.0	0.0%	27.3	0.5%
East Riding of Yorkshire	249,696.2	1787.3	0.7%	1,203.4	0.5%	583.9	0.2%
Enfield	8,220.1	0.8	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.8	<0.1%
Essex	369,449.2	1062.4	0.3%	0.0	0.0%	1,062.4	0.3%

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Hackney	1,906.4	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Hammersmith and Fulham	1,716.1	3.8	0.2%	0.0	0.0%	3.8	0.2%
Haringey	2,958.6	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Harrow	5,046.9	74.4	1.5%	0.0	0.0%	74.4	1.5%
Havering	11,446.8	36.8	0.3%	0.0	0.0%	36.8	0.3%
Hertfordshire	164,306.5	1956.9	1.2%	5.1	<0.1%	1951.8	1.2%
Islington	1,486.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Kensington and Chelsea	1,239.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Leeds	55,172.5	375.8	0.7%	306.7	0.6%	69.1	0.1%
Lincolnshire	610,659.5	484.5	0.1%	131.4	<0.0%	353.1	0.1%
Luton	4,335.3	13.4	0.3%	0.0	0.0%	13.4	0.3%
Newham	3,867.6	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Norfolk	549,798.6	9725.9	1.8%	5,239.5	1.0%	4,486.4	0.8%
North East Lincolnshire	20,355.5	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
North Lincolnshire	87,561.1	422.6	0.5%	207.8	0.2%	214.8	0.2%
North Yorkshire	805,314.2	178989.6	22.2%	102,307.9	12.7%	76,681.7	9.5%
Nottinghamshire	208,695.8	586.8	0.3%	219.5	0.1%	367.3	0.2%
Redbridge	5,643.6	19.9	0.4%	19.3	0.3%	0.6	<0.1%
Rotherham	28,653.1	40.7	0.1%	0.0	0.0%	40.7	0.1%
Rutland	39,374.6	0.2	<0.1%	0.0	0.0%	0.2	<0.1%
Sheffield	36,794.3	9450.3	25.7%	9,440.8	25.7%	9.5	<0.1%
Southend-On-Sea	6,784.6	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Suffolk	385,443.7	4327.1	1.1%	2,236.3	0.6%	2,090.8	0.5%
Thurrock	18,432.0	133.7	0.7%	0.0	0.0%	133.7	0.7%

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Tower Hamlets	2,156.6	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0%
Wakefield	33,861.2	169.1	0.5%	14.6	<0.1%	154.5	0.5%
Waltham Forest	3,881.5	52.4	1.3%	52.4	1.3%	0.0	0.0%
York	27,206.6	748.1	2.7%	572.8	2.1%	175.3	0.6%

Table 3. Statistics for Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty in Area 8 indicating open country and registered common land cover.

Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	Total Area of Land (hectares)	TOTAL OC and RCL (hectares)	% covered by OC/RCL	Area of OC mapped (hectares)	% covered by OC	Area of RCL mapped (hectares)	% covered by RCL
Chilterns	83,752.0	2880.9	3.4%	889.0	1.1%	1991.9	2.4%
Dedham Vale	9,036.8	20.2	0.2%	0.0	0.0%	20.2	0.2%
Lincolnshire Wolds	55,742.7	7.3	<0.1%	2.6	<0.1%	4.7	<0.1%
Norfolk Coast	49,187.3	2702.5	5.5%	341.3	0.7%	2361.2	4.8%
Suffolk Coastal & Heaths	45,234.2	1307.7	2.9%	797.6	1.8%	510.1	1.1%

Table 4. Statistics for National Parks in Area 8 indicating open country and registered common land cover.

National Park	Total Area of Land (hectares)	TOTAL OC and RCL (hectares)	% covered by OC/RCL	Area of OC mapped (hectares)	% covered by OC	Area of RCL mapped (hectares)	% covered by RCL
Norfolk Broads	30,480.6	153.5	0.5%	51.4	0.2%	102.1	0.3%

Annex 1

Area 8 Conclusive Map Public Notices



Conclusive map of open country and registered common land in East England

The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 will create new rights to walk on 'access land' - generally mountain, moor, heath, down and registered common land. The Countryside Agency is required to produce maps of registered common land and open country in preparation for the introduction of the new public access rights.

The conclusive map for East England was issued on 16th August 2005. It includes changes resulting from appeals decisions to some areas shown as registered common land or open country on the provisional map issued by the Agency.

The **digital conclusive map** may be viewed:

- at www.openaccess.gov.uk/s4
- or at our London, Cheltenham, Bristol or Manchester offices - phone the Open Access Contact Centre for an appointment

A **reduced scale conclusive map** in paper form will be sent to:

- local authority offices - within a month of issue date
- Countryside Agency offices - within a month of issue date
- Parish Councils (for their local area) - within two months of issue date.

Please note that the conclusive map is not a walking guide.

A copy of your local conclusive map sheet at a reduced scale is available to purchase for £15.00 (paper copy) and £22.00 (laminated copy), plus £5.00 P&P per order by calling 0870 122 1242.

For more information on **access mapping** phone the Open Access Contact Centre on **0845 100 3298** or visit our website www.openaccess.gov.uk

Annex 2
Area 8 Conclusive Map Display Venues

LOCAL AUTHORITIES				
Ashfield District Council	Urban Road	Kirleby-in-Ashfield	Nottinghamshire	
Babergh District Council	Corks Lane	Hadleigh	Ipswich	Suffolk
Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council	Planning Services	Central Offices	Kendray Street	Barnsley
Basildon District Council	Wat Tyler Coutry Park	Pitsea Hall lane	Pitsea, Basildon	Essex
Bassetlaw District Council	Queen's Buildings	Potter Street	Worksop	Nottinghamshire
Bedford Borough Council	Town Hall	St Paul's Square	Bedford	Bedfordshire
Bedfordshire County Council	County Hall	Cauldwell Street	Bedford	Bedfordshire
Boston Borough Council	Municipal Buildings	West Street	Boston	Lincolnshire
Braintree District Council	Causeway House	Bocking End	Braintree	Essex
Breckland District Council	Elizabeth House	Walpole Loke	Deneham	Norfolk
Brentwood Borough Council	Town Hall	Ingrave Road	Brentwood	Essex
Broadland District Council	Thorpe Lodge	1 Yarmouth Road	Thorpe St Andrew	Norfolk
Broads Authority	18 Colegate	Norwich	Norfolk	
Broxbourne Borough Council	Borough Offices	Bishops College	Churchgate, Cheshunt	Hertfordshire
Broxtowe Borough Council	Foster Avenue	Beeston	Nottingham	Nottinghamshire
Cambridge City Council	The Guildhall	Cambridge	Cambridgeshire	
Cambridgeshire County Council	Shire Hall	Castle Hill	Cambridge	Cambridgeshire
Castle Point Borough Council	Council Offices	Kiln Road	Benfleet	Essex
Chelmsford Borough Council	Civic Centre	Duke Street	Chelmsford	Essex

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City of York Council	9 St Leonards Place	York	North Yorkshire	
Colchester Borough Council	Town Hall Chambers	High Street	Colchester	Essex
Dacorum Borough Council	Civic Centre	Marlowes	Hemel Hempstead	Hertfordshire
Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council	Scarborough House	Checker Road	Doncaster	South Yorkshire
East Cambridgeshire District Council	The Grange	Nutholt Lane	Ely	Cambridgeshire
East Hertfordshire District Council	Council Offices	The Causeway	Bishop's Stortford	Hertfordshire
East Lindsey District Council	Tedder Hall	Manby	Louth	Lincolnshire
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	County Hall	Beverley	East Yorkshire	
Epping Forest District Council	Civic Offices	High Street	Epping	Essex
Essex County Council	County Hall	Chelmsford	Essex	
Fenland District Council	Fenland Hall	County Road	March	Cambridgeshire
Forest Heath District Council	College Heath Road	Mildenhall	Suffolk	
Gedling District Council	Civic Centre	Arnot Hill Park	Arnold	Nottingham
Great Yarmouth Borough Council	Maltings House	Malthouse Lane	Gorleston	Great Yarmouth
Harlow District Council	Civic Centre	College Square	Harlow	Essex
Hertfordshire County Council	County Hall	Pegs Lane	Hertford	Hertfordshire
Hertsmere Borough Council	Civic Offices	Elstree Way	Borehamwood	Hertfordshire
Huntingdonshire District Council	Pathfinder House	St Mary's Street	Huntingdon	Cambridgeshire
Ipswich Borough Council	Civic Centre	Civic Drive	Ipswich	Suffolk
King's Lynn & West Norfolk Borough Council	King's Court	Chapel Street	King's Lynn	Norfolk
Kingston Upon Hull City Council	Kingston House	Bond Street	Kingston Upon Hull	
Leeds City Council	Information Centre	Civic Hall	Leeds	West Yorkshire

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Lincoln City Council	City Hall	Lincoln	Lincolnshire	
Lincolnshire County Council	Highways & Planning	4th Floor	City Hall	Lincoln
London Borough of Barking & Dagenham Council	127 Ripple Road	Barking	Essex	
London Borough of Barnet	Oakleigh Road South	New Southgate	London	
London Borough of Brent	Brent House	349 High Road	Wembley	Middlesex
London Borough of Ealing	1st Floor	Perceval House	14-16 Uxbridge Road	Ealing
London Borough of Enfield	Civic Centre	Silver Street	Enfield	
London Borough of Haringey	Civic Centre	639 High Road	Whetstone	
London Borough of Harrow	Civic Centre	Harrow		
London Borough Of Havering	Mercury House	Mercury Gardens	Romford	Essex
London Borough of Redbridge	Lynton House	255/259 High Road	Ilford	Essex
London Borough of Waltham Forest	16 The Ridgeway	Chingford	London	
Luton Borough Council	Town Hall	Luton		
Maldon District Council	Council Offices	Princes Road	Maldon	Essex
Mansfield District Council	Civic Centre	Chesterfield Road South	Mansfield	Nottinghamshire
Mid Beds District Council	23 London Road	Biggleswade	Bedfordshire	
Mid Suffolk District Council	Leisure Amenities	131 High Street	Needham Market	Ipswich
Newark & Sherwood District Council	Kelham Hall	Newark	Nottinghamshire	
Norfolk County Council	County Hall	Martineau Lane	Norwich	
North East Lincolnshire Council	Civic Offices	Knoll Street	Cleethorpes	North East Lincolnshire
North Hertfordshire District Council	Council Offices	Gernon Road	Letchworth	Hertfordshire
North Kesteven District Council	District Council Offices	Kesteven Street	Sleaford	Lincolnshire

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North Lincolnshire Council	Church Square House	Scunthorpe	North Lincolnshire	
North Norfolk District Council	Holt Road	Cromer	Norfolk	
North Yorkshire County Council	County Hall	Racecourse Lane	Northallerton	North Yorkshire
Norwich City Council	City Hall	St Peter Street	Norwich	
Nottingham City Council	Lawrence House	Talbot Street	Nottingham	
Nottinghamshire County Council	Trent Bridge House	Fox Road	West Bridgford	Nottingham
Peterborough City Council	Bridge House	Town Bridge	Peterborough	
Rochford District Council	Council Offices	South Street	Rochford	Essex
Rotherham MBC	Bailey House	Rawmarsh Road	Rotherham	South Yorkshire
Rushcliffe Borough Council	Civic Centre	Pavillion Road	West Bridgeford	Nottingham
Rutland County Council	St Andrew House	Station Approach	Oakham	Rutland
Selby District Council	Civic Centre	Partholme Road	Selby	North Yorkshire
Sheffield City Council	Howden House	Union Street	Sheffield	
South Bedfordshire District Council	The District Offices	High Street North	Dunstable	Bedfordshire
South Cambridgeshire District Council	South Cambridgeshire Hall	Cambourne Business Park	Cambourne	Cambridgeshire
South Holland District Council	Council Offices	Priory Road	Spalding	Lincolnshire
South Kesteven District Council	Council Offices	St Peter's Hill	Grantham	Lincolnshire
South Norfolk District Council	South Norfolk House	Swan Lane	Long Stratton	Norfolk
Southend-on-Sea Borough Council	Civic Centre	Southend-on-Sea	Essex	
St Albans City Council	St Peters Street	St Albans	Hertfordshire	
St Edmundsbury Borough Council	Borough Offices	Angel Hill	Bury St Edmunds	Suffolk
Stevenage Borough Council	Daneshill House	Danes Street	Stevenage	Hertfordshire

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Suffolk Coastal District Council	Melton Hill	Woodbridge	Suffolk	
Suffolk County Council	St Helens Court	County Hall	St Helens Street	Ipswich
Tendring District Council	Town Hall	Station Road	Clacton-On-Sea	Essex
Three Rivers District Council	Three Rivers House	Northway	Rickmansworth	Hertfordshire
Thurrock Borough Council	Civic Centre Offices	New Road	Grays	Essex
Uttlesford District Council	Council Offices	London Road	Saffron Walden	Essex
Wakefield MDC	Newton Bar	Wakefield	West Yorkshire	
Watford Borough Council	Town Hall	Watford	Hertfordshire	
Waveney District Council	Town Hall	High Street	Lowestoft	Suffolk
Welwyn Hatfield Council	Council Offices	The Campus	Welwyn Garden City	Hertfordshire
West Lindsey District Council	The Guildhall	asgat Street	Gainsborough	
NATURAL ENGLAND OFFICES				
Natural England	3rd Floor, Bridgewater House	Whitworth Street	Manchester	
Natural England	John Dower House	Crescent Place	Cheltenham	