GOING INTO THE COUNTRYSIDE:

You are free, in general, to follow any pathways with signposts. But you must treat the countryside with respect.

The government's countryside website is http://www.countrysideaccess.gov.uk

10 SIMPLE RULES:

- Be safe. So plan ahead and follow any signs. British Ordnance Survey maps are the best in the world!
- Allow for the British weather, especially on exposed and high ground. And especially in Winter.
- Leave gates and property as you find them.
- Protect plants and animals.
- Take your litter home.
- Don't start fires, especially in Summer, unless it is to provide warmth in an emergency.
- Keep dogs under close control. Usually this means you must keep them on a lead.
- Clean up after your dog.
- Consider other people.
- Ask permission if you wish to camp or use waterways.