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St Peter

Diocese of Chichester

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The 900th anniversary of this church was celebrated recently, though this is thought to have been a site of worship for longer still. The present building dates from the 14th century.

2000: The imposing male yew grows on the south side of the church. It is a tall tree with a fine overall shape and a rich healthy foliage. Low growth on its bole had recently been removed. It consists of a thickened shell for $\frac{3}{4}$ of its girth, with a large internal stem fused to the inner wall of the tree and filling much of its hollow interior.

Girth:

1997: 16m tall x 207 cm diameter at 1.6m *The Sussex Tree Book* - Owen Johnson.

2000: 24' 9" at the ground; 20' 10" at 2' 6"; 21' 6" at 5' - Tim Hills

2014: 25' 6" close to the ground; 23' 2" at 1'. Twiggy growth on lower bole makes measurement difficult. - Peter Norton

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