Donnington is just in Herefordshire. In October 2004 I had to climb over locked gates to get into the churchyard. Of the several yews here only tree E on Paul Wood’s 2017 plan appeared to be significant. Unfortunately it was not easily approachable and I was unable to take any meaningful photographs. I noted that close to the ground there appeared to be two trunks squashed together. Each of these was twisted and appeared to be wrapped around older growth. At a height of about 10’ a branch from one trunk grew completely into the other.

In 2017 Paul Wood’s photos show that a few remnants of the original yew can still be seen at the ground, meaning that what we see today is almost certainly a well developed fragment of an original yew that was once much larger.

The smallest measurement of what we see today was 13’ 4” (4.06m) at 5’. Measurement at the ground including pieces of stump give a girth closer to 26'.