

2008: The first church was Norman. The yew grows only yards away from the end of the chancel, at the east end of the church. It has been larger than its present girth indicates. In the first photo at A is an internal stem. This would have begun its development at a time when the tree was a solid cylindrical shape. Removal of a branch facing the church centuries ago would have allowed water to penetrate the trunk and begin the process of heartwood decay. At the same time the tree developed shoots from one of the branches which grew downwards through the decaying centre to the ground. Once in contact with the ground the root has effectively become a stem, sustaining the very branches from which it originated. Girth 15' 10".



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