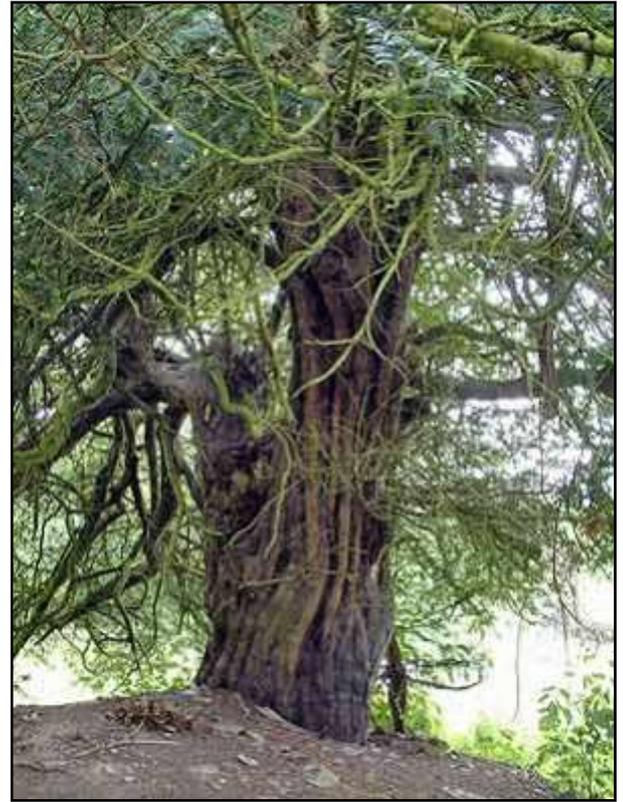
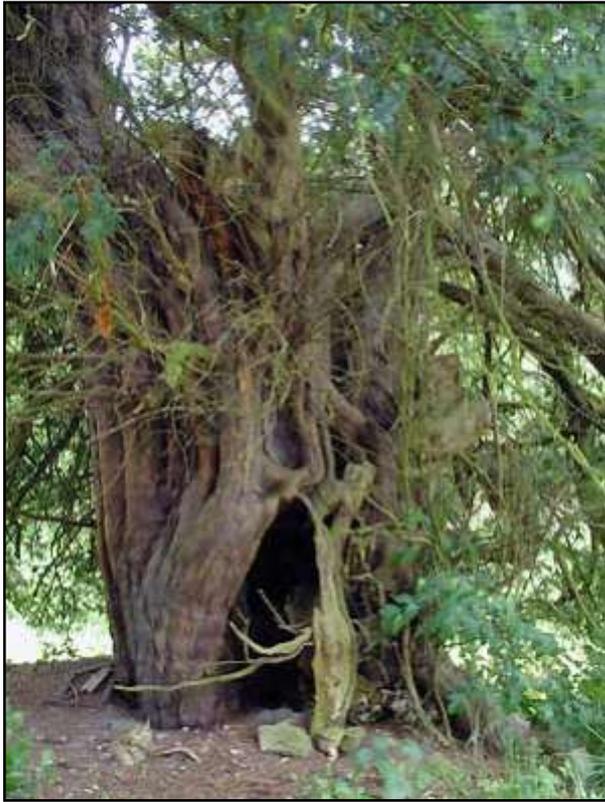


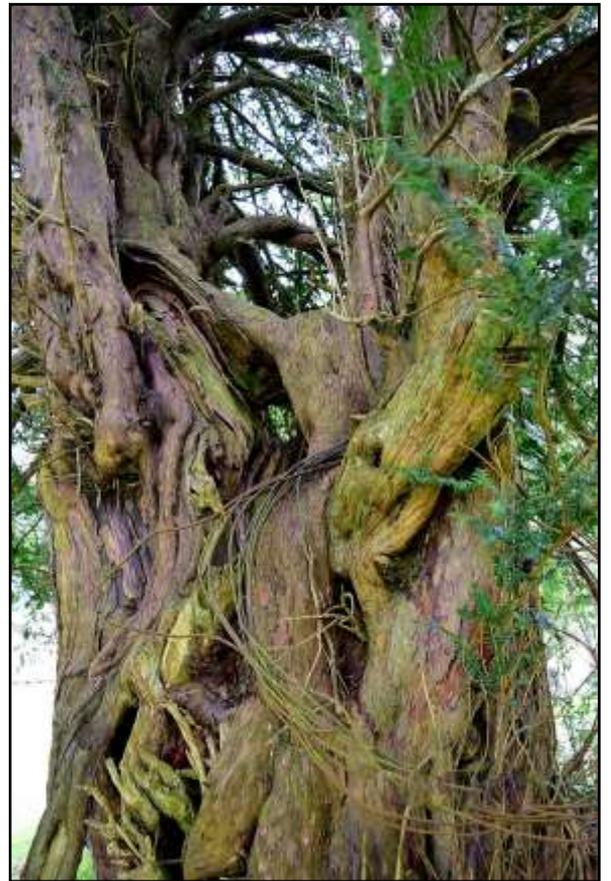
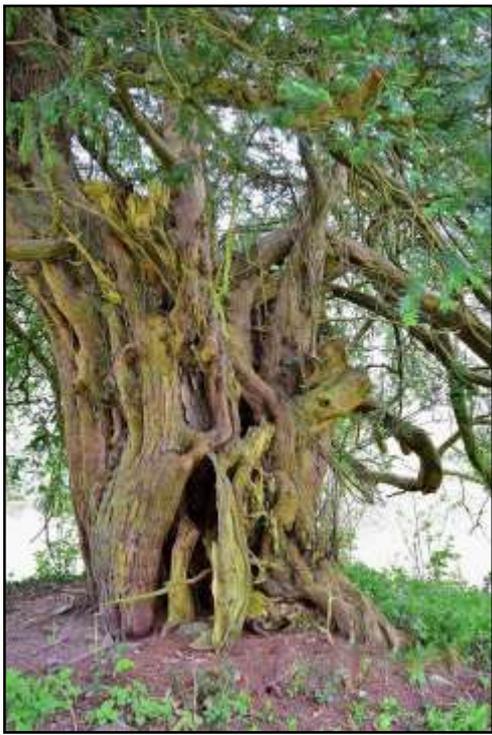
1999 Tim Hills: I recorded two yews growing either side of the path leading to the church. The veteran, seen here in Geoff Garlick's 2004 photos, is a low tree with hollows and an estimated girth of 12'14'.



2016 Paul Wood: Of the 10 yews here, most are perhaps 150 - 200 years old. The exception grows at the SW corner of the church about 20 metres away on the south side of the west entrance path. It might easily be overlooked, but up close it tells a different story. It sits on a curving bank of what appears to be an inner bank that suggests the churchyard was once smaller. It is quite evident that all local roads, tracks and paths lead towards the churchyard and along with the name of the local stream on the churchyard's north boundary, being the " CLAS " Brook, I agree with others that this is a site of early Christian foundation.

I measured the yew at a height of 2' 7" (0.79m) level around the tree to get beneath the large leader branch on the south side of the tree. A girth of 13' 1" (3.99m) was recorded. Of note is a rotting piece of former internal stem that sticks out on the north side of the tree, some dead wood that still stands, and a slice of ground missing on the north side of the tree. This suggests to me that the living growth we see today is little more than the remains of a once much larger tree. In years to come the living wood will be little more than 8'9' and will be of elongated shape rather than round or oval.

The yew was an unusual deep purple and mustardy yellow around the bole and branches, and all the growth seems to be developing on the south side of the tree. This hollow shell had twisty gnarly pieces of dead wood and living wood entwined.



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