

**LIST OF CHURCHYARDS VISITED IN LANCASHIRE**

PLACE	CHURCH	GRID REF	LINK TO FURTHER INFORMATION	Recorders	YEAR
Chipping	St Bartholomew	SD62214331	<a href="#">Gazetteer</a>	Steve Dearneley	2007
Heysham	St Peter	SD41056164	See below	Lyn Clifton	2009
Leyland	St Andrew	SD541216	<a href="#">Gazetteer - lost yew</a>	Tim Hills	
Trawden	Quaker burial ground	SD9051238970	A healthy group of yews, except for the one that is just a stick in the ground. I would concur with 1926 planting date (plus maybe 5 years in a nursery? )	Matthew Chambers	
Warton	St Oswald	SD4982172315	25 yews on site, 22 of which are mature trees.	Graham Wilkinson	1997
Whalley	St Mary and All Saints	SD73263613	Yew on south side of parish church.	Sean Kerr	2009

HEYSHAM: A literary reference by Cotton Mather Mills 1847 appears in *The Sexton's Hero*: 'The afternoon sun shed down his glorious rays on the grassy churchyard, making the shadow cast by the old yew-tree under which we sat seem deeper by contrast.' There is no yew tree in the churchyard. Parishioners I talked to knew nothing of a yew tree there. One however thought that there had been one on the green outside the approach to the churchyard, where the church signboard now stands.

**LIST OF CHURCHYARDS VISITED IN GREATER MANCHESTER**

PLACE	CHURCH DEDICATION	GRID REF	Link to further information	Recorders	YEAR
Deane	St Mary	SD6933808132	<a href="#">Gazetteer - lost yew</a>	Tim Hills	
Denton	St Lawrence	SJ9264095050	<a href="#">Gazetteer - lost yew</a>	Tim Hills	
Didsbury	St James	SJ8469690378	see below	Dean Loftus	
Northenden	St Wilfrid	SJ833900	<a href="#">Gazetteer - lost yew</a>	Dean Loftus	2008

DIDSBURY: There is a churchwardens account for "setting a yew tree" in 1727/8'. I've visited every church in Didsbury and none of the churchyard yews in Didsbury look likely to be the tree mentioned. However I did come across a yew in a public gardens in Didsbury named "The Old Parsonage Gardens" next to St James Church. Here is a yew measuring 13' 2" at the base growing into 3 main stems. There are a number of pet graves around the tree.