



These two photos show the yew in 1998, when it was almost impossible to see the tree. From the path it was hidden behind dense twigggy growth and a fence, while behind the fence the tree was given the same status as dustbins and a compost heap. A girth of 19ft was estimated.



By May 2013 the tree and its surroundings had been transformed, giving it its rightful place in the churchyard. Girth could be recorded more accurately as 20' 7" at 4' above the path, at the base of a new stem forming on the side of the tree. Away from the path soil has been piled against the bole raising the ground level.





