

In November 1871 *Bygones* described 'some yews in Llandysilio churchyard, one of which has been struck by lightning'.

The Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust in 1995 described '12 mature yews just inside the original circular enclosure and one more by the W path. Several are probably c200-300 years old'. That would seem about right, though the most significant tree is this unprepossessing fragment, no. 7 below.

From the church gate going clockwise are yews as follows:

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| 1  | female | 11' 6" at 1'  |
| 2  | male   | 9' 3" at 1' 6"  |
| 3  | female | in west wall – about 11'/12'  |
| 4  | male   | by path 9' 7" at 1'   |
| 5  | female | 9' 2" at 2' – large ivy had been removed  |
| 6  | female | 12' 9" at 1' 6" over ivy  |
| 7  | male   | NW of the church. A fragment of a once larger yew. About 17' in girth, the tree consists of 3 decaying branches around a decaying core, of which part is visible. |
| 8  | male   | 11' 5" between ground and 1'. A stump close to it.  |
| 9  | male   | approx girth 8' 9"  |
| 10 | female | about 10 at 1'  |

A further three grow on the east side

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| 11 | female | approx. 12' 6" thick ivy  |
| 12 | male   | 7' 6" at 2'. Three feet of this its girth is dead wood which will eventually result in a horse shoe hollow. |
| 13 | male   | 12' 6" between 1' and 2'  |



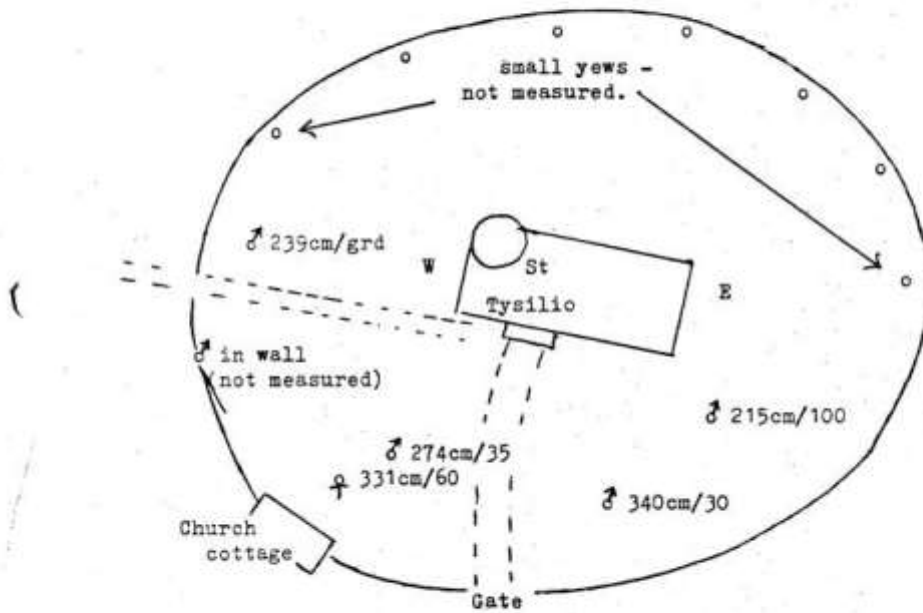
In 1983 Reg Wheeler produced the following plan showing the yews in Llandysilio churchyard

# Llandysilio

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Measured 3-12-1983

Sketch plan - not to scale



Girth in centimeters/ height from ground (or grd).

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