

1992: 'There were once two Common Yews in the churchyard, but only one remains - the other having been deliberately burnt down around 1986 and sold to the sawmill at Cilbion. The surviving yew.....is the oldest common yew on the Gower Peninsula. The hollow bole has been partly filled with blocks of limestone which should be removed if the tree is to regenerate successfully'. John Andrew

2002: The female yew grows near to the top of the terraced churchyard south of the church. It is hollow with a thick skin. The limestone blocks had been removed. Looking upwards the hollow appeared to close over at about 8'/10'. The large girth is retained to a height of 15'/20' where it divides into two main branches, one of which is hollow.

Girth: It was not possible to measure through the dense growth on the lower part of the bole, but in 1988 John Andrew recorded 6.34m (20' 10") at 1m.

2006: Greg Howes reported that the tree was 'in very good condition, hardly any epicormic growth, slight hollowing on western side, large upright trunk. Impressive tree, well looked after'. Girth 6m 26cm, measured on slope at 1.5m approx.



2002 Tim Hills



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