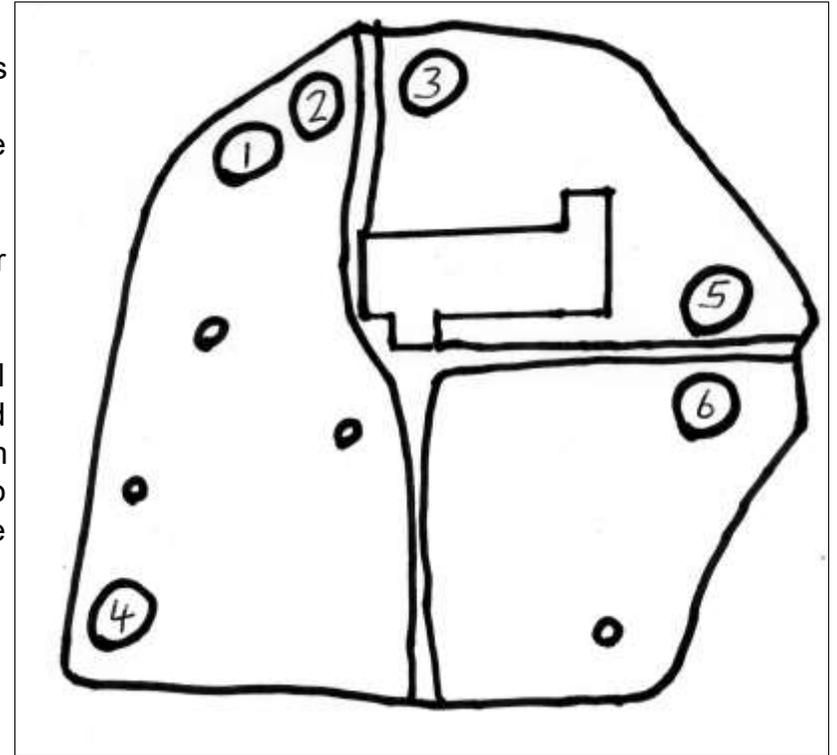


This single chamber church is in a raised circular churchyard said to contain Ceriog's grave. Medieval stonework is found in all 4 walls of a church which was restored in 1863. In 1834 Lewis's *Topographical Dictionary of Wales* noted that in the churchyard were 'several venerable yew trees of luxuriant growth'.

The site was visited in 1998 and 2014. As well as the impressive male and female pair growing either side of the path at the east gate, a further four yews are worthy of note.

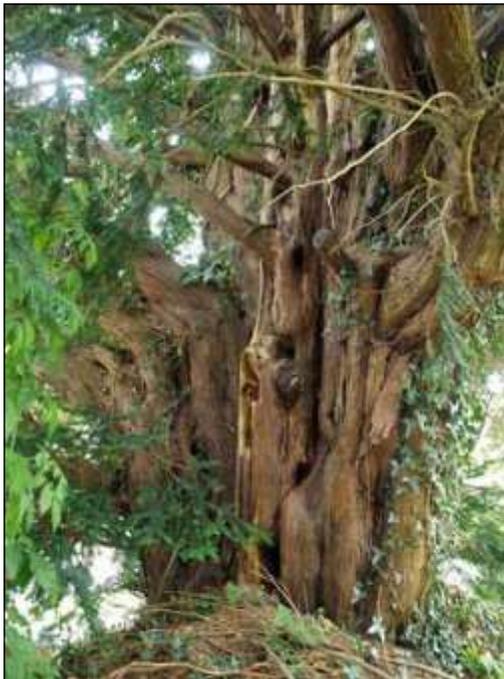
Tree 5 on the plan grows on the north side of the path at the east entrance. When Percival Morgan visited sometime between 1980 and 1990, he recorded a girth of 25' at 4' and described '4 large trunks'. He also noted that the 'main trunk looks as though it has been completely broken off by the wind'. This is trunk number 3 in the photos. The first photo shows in 1998, the latter three in 2014 show it covered in ivy. Trunk 4 is seen only in the 1998 photo. It is not known why this substantial part of the tree had to be removed.

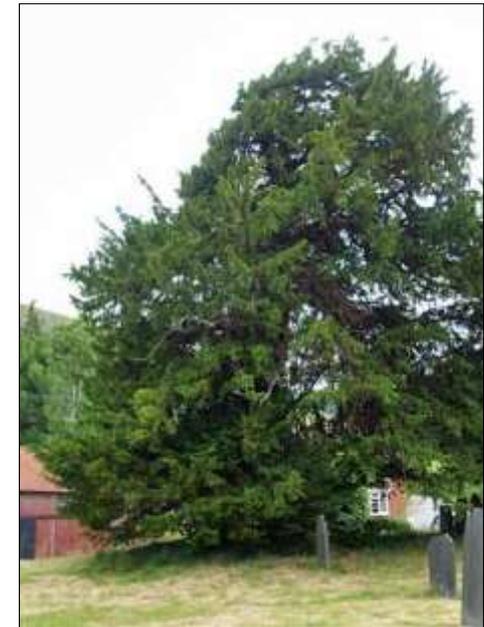


The 6 on the plan (A) grows directly opposite tree 5, on the south side of the path at the east entrance. The first photo shows it in 1998, the others are from 2014. From its bole, with an approximate girth of 19', three main areas of growth have developed.



Tree 4 grows SW of the church and close to the road. It is on a raised patch of ground and several thick stems rise from its hidden bole. It was not possible to measure.





The three trees on this page make up the group growing north of the church. Most of the growth on tree 1, seen above, develops from a thick stem (A) rising on one side of the bole. A second large branch (B) leaning towards the road appeared to have little sign of life. A girth of approximately 18' was recorded in 2014.



Tree 2, left, was hidden behind twiggy growth. A substantial branch (C) leaning towards the road had been cut off. Girth was about 13'.

Tree 3, right, consists of several thick stems around a central gap, with an approximate girth of 16'.

