

Percy Morgan 1980s: 'There are two quite ancient yews in the churchyard. The smaller is on the edge of a deep vertical bank and could not be measured. The larger is on a mound about 4 or 5 feet high and the trunk looks as though it split many years ago, with a girth of 24' at 4', the position is SW of the church'.

2006: The yew growing SW is a fine male tree, split like the renowned Wilmington Yew into 2 halves – both hollow with many internal stems. The mound probably conceals the original base of the tree 2' 3" beneath the present ground level. Girth was 23' 9" close to the ground but riding up over the bulgiest roots and 25' 5" at 3'. The westerly fragment girthed 11' 11" at 3' and the easterly fragment 12' 6" at 3'.

The yew ESE of the church (right) is also male and its position is indeed precarious. Beneath the yew were several feet of rubble, the remains of a bonfire and the slippery ooze of decaying grasses. This is a difficult yew to assess with its large central stem surrounded by many stems of similar girth.

