## ANGERSLEIGH St Michael and All Angels Diocese of Bath and Wells ST1990018692

Two male yews grow SE of the church. The more westerly of the pair was written about in 1791 by Collinson in his *History and Antiquities of the County of Somerset*. He described 'a fine old yew tree, the trunk of which at a foot from the ground, divides into 4 other large trunks, which at 10' subdivide themselves into a great number of branches'. Today only two of these four large trunks remain. The size of the mound beneath the tree, as well as the old sapwood around which the new branches are forming, are all indicators that what we see today is half of a once more formidable tree.



In 2001 I recorded a girth of 14' 4" at 1' on a short bole about 2' high on which now develop two distinct growth areas. In 2014, when the photographs were taken, I recorded a girth of 15' 1" at 1'.



A second yew grows here to the east of the large tree. It had a girth of 9' 10" at 2' in 2014.



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