

2017: The fine veteran male yew grows south of the church on the west side. It was probably once on a mound which was later contained within a wall that is now largely hidden and showing signs of wear. The yew has some extraordinary features, both external and internal. From the outside its twisting bole retains a large girth for a considerable height. On the inside are two remarkable internal stem features. One of these is a group of thin cylindrical internal stems growing very close to each other. The second is a huge cut off branch which pokes out of a hole on the side of the tree facing the church. This can be followed back to where it reaches the ground inside the hollow. So here, it would appear, is an internal stem that became a side branch rather than growing up through the centre. It is the only occasion I have seen this. Girths of 17' 6" at 1' and 17' 4" at 3' were recorded.

