

In 1936 *The King's England* stated that 'In the churchyard stands an old yew which must have been here 500 years'.

2002: There are in fact two old yews here, both female. One is seen in the b/w half plate of Petrie's watercolour original (1807). It grows SE of the church and was covered in dense twiggy growth that made it impossible to either examine or photograph. Several dead branches pointed away from the church, while thin strips of growth carried life over dead sections of the bole. Girth was 18' 5" at the ground.



The larger girthed tree, below, grows NE of the church. It had been drastically pruned and its appearance will be much altered when decaying sections disappear.

It has two main areas of growth (A) one upright, the other angled towards the church.

At (B) a section of dead wood will eventually decay leaving a gap 1' wide. In the space behind was a large internal stem which feeds into (C), formerly the third growth area of the tree which has been largely removed. The yew had a girth of 19' 2" at the ground and 20' 4" at 3'.

