

2014: Two old yews grow almost due west of the church at the churchyard entrance. Each is surrounded by a circular wall several feet high, which means that the original base of each of these extraordinary specimens is well hidden.

The more southerly tree (left) has been allowed to grow tall, while the more northerly (right) has been managed and is very low growing.





The wall around the more southerly tree has been rebuilt to cope with its expansion and now encroaches onto the path. This yew consists of numerous stems rising from the old bole, with at least ten of these forming a ring of growth around the outside, while several more stems grow in the central space. Girth around all of the outer stems was above 38 feet.





The more northerly tree has had its numerous stems cut off at the height of about 6'.



This is similar to what has happened to the ancient yews at nearby Ystrad Aeron. While the tree is showing signs of recovering from this treatment, it now had to contend with excessive ivy growth. It was not possible to tape around the outer stems of this tree.

