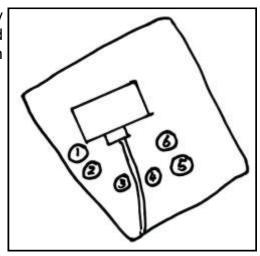
The present church is 13th century, though it is considered likely that the original church stood here five centuries earlier. I first visited the site in 2001 and photographed the trees in 2015. Photos taken in 2016 by Paul Wood are also included.

Four of the yews are now classified as veteran - 2, 4, 5 and 6.



Tree 1: A large section has been sawn off. The tree leans slightly towards the church. Girth was 12' 10" at 1' in 2001 and the same in 2015.







2015 2016 2016

Tree 2 is the largest girthed yew here. From its fluted bole rises a tall straight branch. While the tree appears solid, a small hole reveals it to be quite hollow. Girth was recorded in 2001 as 16' 8" between the ground and 1'.







2015 2015 2015

Tree 3: From its base of modest girth (12' 8" at 1' in 2001) the tree expands dramatically to support several large branches.



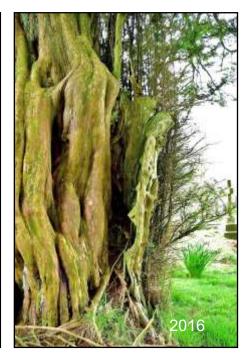
Tree 4 contains an internal stem with a girth of about 3'. Measured at a height of 4' a girth of 13' 5" was recorded in 2001 and 13' 9" in 2015. Photos 2016 unless otherwise shown.



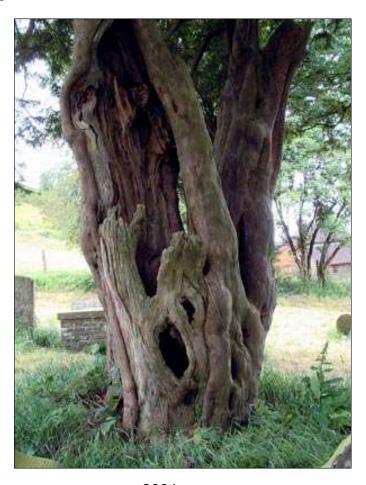
Tree 5: Measured in 2001 with difficulty over twiggy growth, 15' 4" was recorded between the ground and 1'. The large slab of dead sapwood (A) suggests that this tree was once considerably larger.

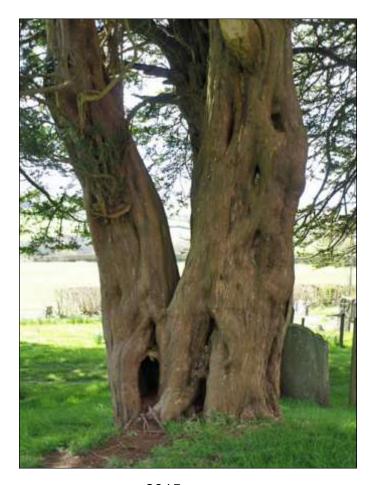






Tree 6: Two main branches grow from a bole of about 4'. Beneath each branch are hollows. Here is also a good example of a decayed stem being replaced by new growth. Measured between 1' and 2' a girth of 12' was recorded in 2001 and 12' 2" in 2015.

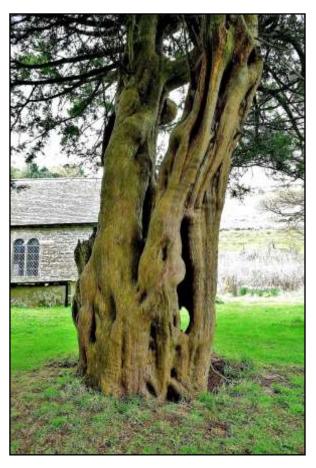


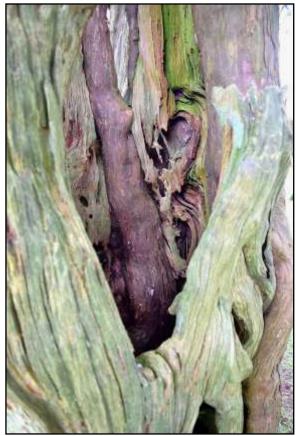


2001 2015













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