

The church is plain and simple. Its tower, according to *The King's England* is 'as old as the Conqueror, and may be Saxon'. The St Peters Trust has recently been set up to restore and watch over this ancient building, which is now an International Presbyterian Church.

Its 'very large yew tree on the north side' was first noted in 1911 in *A History of the County of Hampshire*.

In 1939 Mee noted the 'lofty old yew, still vigorous' in *The King's England*.

1998: A male yew, whose branches overhanging the adjoining land have been trimmed, resulting in a lop sided crown. On the church side lower branches dip towards the ground.

Its twisting fluted bole releases 4 main branches at about 15'. Fluting can be followed in one of these almost to the top of the tree. From 6/7' upwards large branches have been removed. Three small gaps in the bole reveal it to be hollow, with small internal growth visible. Nails hammered into the tree at 3' and higher have caused discolouration of the bark on this otherwise healthy green tree. These had been removed by 2014.

Girth:

1998: 19' 3" close to the ground; 18' 8" at 1'; 17' 11" at 3'; 17' 7" at 5' - Tim Hills

1999: 17' 7"/5.36m at 1.1m - Russell Cleaver

2014: Over 19' close to the ground; 18' 10" at 1'; 18' 5" at 3' - Peter Norton

1998 - Tim Hills



