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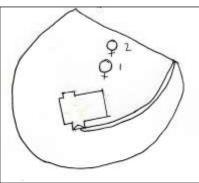
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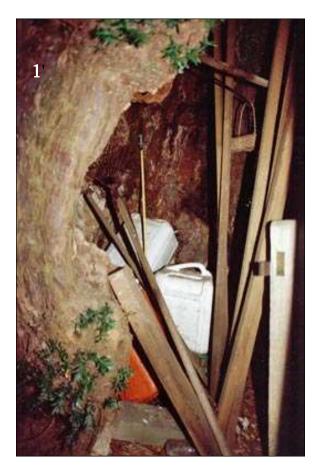
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The 1848 *Topographical Dictionary of England* described 'two fine yew-trees, one of which measures twenty-two feet in circumference at three feet from the ground'.

1998: The yews, both female, are not seen at their finest. Tree 1, the larger of the two with a girth of about 22' at 5', was being used as overspill from a shed. Was this really the only place in the churchyard where a shed could be sited? In 2015 a girth of 19' 0" between the ground and 1' was recorded.







The younger tree 2 also illustrates the lack of consideration often given to old yews, with heavy stones propped against its trunk both in 1998 and 2015. Everything about this tree suggests that we are looking at fragments of a once much larger tree. Girth was recorded as just above 16' at 1' in 2015



Photos on the next two pages were taken in 2015. The shed has gone, but not much else has changed.



Tree 1



Tree 2





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