1795: *The Gentleman's magazine* p641 says that 'the church at Putley is small and neat, contains no monuments, but, with a venerable yew'.

2007 Tim Hills: The male yew grows SE of the church. We see a large section of the original trunk with secondary growth around it. From this rise many vertical branches, and in the centre of these can be seen more of the original trunk, now bare of covering, and reaching a jagged point. Much graveyard waste (heavy concrete and stone) leaned on the tree and littered the ground around it. One particularly large and thick slab has rested there long enough to affect growth.

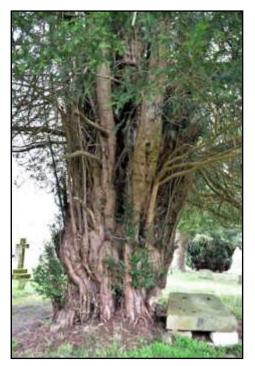
Girth 15' 9" at about 2' – level with the height of the slab.

2016 Paul Wood: At ground level on the north side of the tree it was possible to see that a large void exists within the tree and a number of internal stems are nearing the ground. A little twiggy growth covered the north side ground level hole but in general the tree had only small amounts of growth below a height of 10'. It was looking healthy with plenty of deep green foliage in the canopy and crown. Some dead



branches were visible that appear connected to the inner dying part of the tree. Measured at 1' to obtain the smallest girth was 16' 2" (4.93).







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