

Six yews grow here. Tree 1 on the plan is this substantial twin trunked yew which grows SE of the church. Girth was 13' 5" at 1'.



Trees 2, 3 and 4 grow on the east perimeter at the top of a slope alongside other trees. Each has had many branches removed. Tree 2 girthed about 4', tree 3 was 5' 10" and tree 4 about 7'.



Here is also a millennium yew in poor condition and a clipped yew at the churchyard gate.



One yew grows at the SE corner of the churchyard. It is male, twin trunked above 6' and each of these is of considerable girth, creating a particularly tall tree. Its overall girth of 13' 10" at 3' is over a layer of upward pointing twiggly growth. Thick ivy stems had been cut through some time ago. The space beneath the tree was at the time of the visit used to store drying and decaying material from the churchyard.



ALLER St Andrew ST39632881 12th April 2016

One much cut younger yew grows on the east side near to the church. No photo.

ASH Holy Trinity ST4725420714 28th September 2016

Three male yews grow here, all on the north side of the church and close to the road. When Holy Trinity was built in 1841, it was not on the site of a pre-existing church. If the yews were planted at this time then growth of one of them has been rapid.



The largest girthed yew, above, grows due north of the centre of the church and close to the wall separating churchyard from road. Foliage was sparse on the end of thin branches. This is possibly the result of the tree competing over decades with much ivy, which has now been removed so that it no longer fills the branches. Girth was 14' 6" at a height of about 2' 6" – above the thickest ivy stem.

The tree below left grows close to the churchyard gate. It is tall and narrow in appearance, with many upright stems from a height of 15' and upwards. Much twiggly material has been removed from its elongated lower trunk. Girth was 10' 10" at about 1'.



The yew centre and right is closest to the church building on the north side and had a girth of 2' 5½" at 3". It divides into several stems at a height of about 15".

ASHCOTT All Saints ST43723715 5th November 2012

1 female yew grows west of the church. Over thick ivy stems girth was about 10'. Ivy filled the canopy. No photo.

ASHINGTON St Vincent ST5611221407 14th October 2015

One yew grows SW, a spreading female tree, multi stemmed from low down. No photo.

ASHWICK St James ST6370748408 2nd September 2013

A male yew (photos 1-3) with a girth of just over 10' grows close to the perimeter wall SE of the church. It is tall with a series of upright stems joined together from low on the tree. Closer to the church SE is a young female yew that divides into 2 main stems at about 1'. It has many lateral low branches (photo 4).



Two yews grow here. The male yew, (below left and right) is north of the church on the west side. The churchyard vegetation running along this path had been recently cut right back, and the yew was included in this, with all of its lower branches removed. When the ivy dies back it will reveal what a fine tree this is. Its solid trunk had a girth of about 9' at 2' 6". At a height of about 15' it divides into twin trunks which rise side by side.

The bushy female yew (centre), many stemmed from low down, grows at the SE extremity of the churchyard. It had been recently trimmed.

