

WARWICKSHIRE - some churchyard sites with younger yews

BERKSWELL St John Baptist SP24367918 Alastair Dymond 20/12/2020

The Berkswell church yew trees are situated on the edge of the small car park within the churchyard.



DRAYCOTE Baptist Chapel Nicholas Dalton 2007

A deconsecrated chapel with a consecrated burial ground just a few metres from the yew, alongside the chapel. The chapel is dated from 1869 but there has been a place of worship on that site certainly since 1811. Recently measured at 1.4 metres from the ground, the girth measures approximately 3.4 metres. At 0.6 metres from the ground, the girth measures approximately 3.1 metres.

FRANKTON St Nicholas SP4236370152 2/3/1992 Conservation Foundation

In response to a request for information by the Conservation Foundation, two trees were recorded south of the church, both female and both solid. The yew south of the church measured 246cm (8' 1") at 3' and 247cm (8' 1½") at 4'. The yew SE measured 204cm (6' 8") at 3' and 216cm (7' 1") at 4'. A certificate was sent with an estimated age of 200 years for the largest yew.

LOWER SHUCKBURGH St John the Baptist SP4892762663 1951

A History of the County of Warwickshire described the churchyard paths as planted with avenues of yew trees. The Google Earth images also shows a yew SE of the church.



MONKS KIRBY St Edith SP4632683149 1951

A History of the County of Warwick described the parish church of St Edith standing on the summit of a small mound, on the south side of a large churchyard planted with avenues of yew trees. These are Irish Yews.

PILLERTON HERSEY St Mary SP2989348859 c1990

A letter to David Bellamy: We have 5 yew trees. 2 are in the north position. (1) is 7' 10" at 3' and 7' 6" at 4'. (2) is 9' 7" at 3' and 10' 6" at 4'. Three are in the east position (1) is 4' 4" at 3' and 4' 1" at 4' (2) is 5' 7" at 3' and 5' 9" at 4' (3) is 6' 6" at 3' and 6' 2" at 4'.

ROWINGTON St Laurence SP203693 8/9/2009 Tim Hills

The 1875 Penny Post noted 'an old yew-tree' at this site. An internet site reported a 'large yew on the N side of the church'. The female yew on the north side consists of numerous tall branches rising close to each other. While girth was about 12' there was nothing to suggest old age. The area beneath the tree was being used as a dump for stone, concrete, tiles etc. There is also a tall younger female yew on the east side and a male/female pairing of similar age either side of the church gate.



WAPPENBURY St Anne (RC) SP37886923 1988/89 The Conservation Foundation

A yew with a girth of 6' 8" at 3' grows NW of church. The Conservation Foundation sent the church a certificate with an estimated age of 140 years.