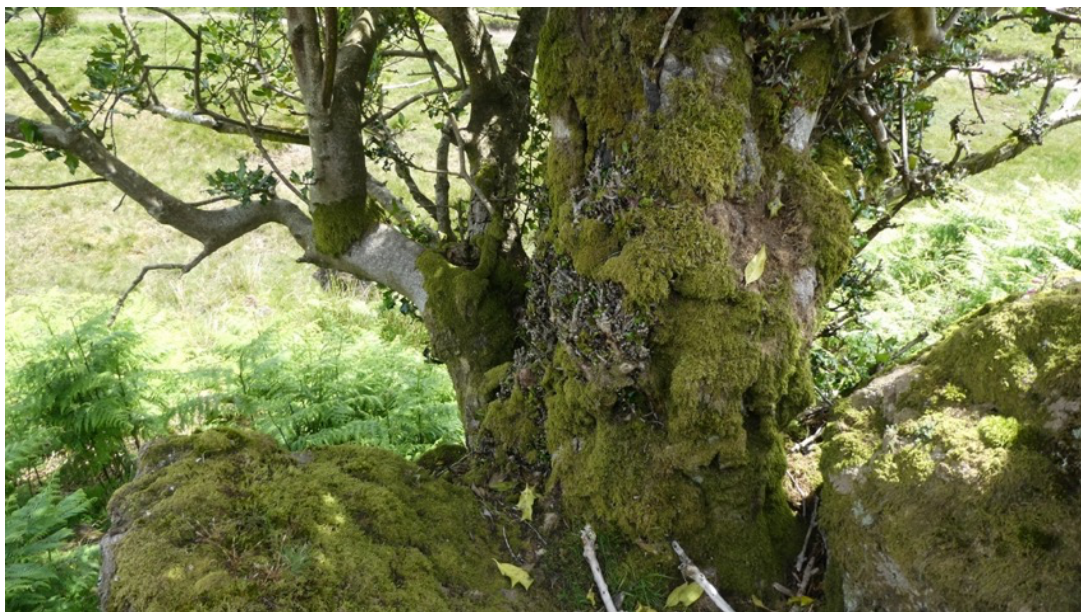


3.13 Silver How 5

Images from the walk to the waymarker tree.



Northwest, along the narrow grass track from Dow Bank make a slight detour, onto the path descending to Walthwaite, to see the old cairn and holly tree waymarker.



The holly's hidden flat earthen space, on the rocky knoll, hard up against the trunk with the tree's canopy providing shelter overhead.



The slanting summit path, just seen faintly in the distance on the right-hand upper slope, rising from the big cairn to pass this point – the location of the ‘prominent holly’ (standing to the group’s right). It is accompanied by other trees, all grasping the steep grassed slope, forming a miniature woodland.



The waymarker holly tree stands above the group, for now. Though small and huddled against the rock, it is likely the oak and rowan will vie for being topmost, over time. Each tree supports another, enduring the weather together, gradually and dynamically growing into a sheltered grove.