

TOBACCO HOLDER

Unique ID: DUR-583F05

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A lead figurine in the shape of an African person's head, with a sub rectangular shank protruding where the body should be. The head is slightly upturned and there is appears to be a carved hat on top of the head. The face is carved into the lead and a neck is apparent. It weighs 82.7g and measures 62.99mm in length, the head is 19.12mm wide and the face is 24.48mm thick.

Several similar objects can be found on this database (e.g. NARC-DC03B3, KENT5054, IOW-B47783, SWYOR-790331). They come from the lids of tobacco jars and probably date to the 18th century.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1700

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 62.99 mm

Width: 19.12 mm

Thickness: 24.48 mm

Weight: 82.7 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st April 2011 - Thursday 30th June 2011

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [North East](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [County Durham](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [County Durham](#) (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: [Bishop Auckland](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: NZ2128

Four figure Latitude: 54.64667

Four figure longitude: -1.67609

1:25K map: NZ2128

1:10K map: NZ22NW

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land