SPUR

Unique ID: LIN-943CBE

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete, cast, copper-alloy spur of probable Post-Medieval date (1600-1700).

The arms are D-shaped, almost triangular, in cross-section and taper slightly from the apex of the spur to broken straight ends. The fittings at the end of the arms are missing. The neck of the spur is formed at the midpoint of the spur. It is initially rectangular in form which then widens and gently curves. About 18.67 mm along the neck is a triangular groove with a corroded iron stain on the top and reverse of the groove, perhaps the remains of a rowel. The spur has an even mid-red-brown patina with occasional green patches across its entire surface.

The fragment is 68.49 mm long, 58.82 mm wide and weighs 25.98g

Spurs are relatively common in the 17th Century when fashion dictated they were worn as an article of dress rather than for just riding ((Ellis 1993, 165; Jope 1956, 35-42). Similar post-medieval examples have been excavated from Beeston Castle, Cheshire (Ellis 1993: figs. 113-114).

References cited

Ellis, P. ed., 2013. *Beeston Castle, Cheshire: Excavations by Laurence Keen & Peter Hough, 1968-85* (No. 23). English Heritage.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL Period from: POST MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1600 Date to: Circa AD 1700

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 68.49 mm Width: 58.82 mm Weight: 25.98 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: East Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: <u>Lincolnshire</u> (County)

District: West Lindsey (District)

Parish or ward: **Bullington** (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TF0978

Four figure Latitude: 53.28776855 Four figure longitude: -0.36636351

1:25K map: TF0978 1:10K map: TF07NE

Grid reference source: Centred on field

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Cultivated land