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Unique ID: HESH-8C7E92

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

A fragment of a medieval silver chinfrão (half real grosso) of Afonso V of Portugal (1438-81), uncertain mint.

The coin survives only as a worn fragment the break across the coin irregular and uneven. Approximately 40% of the coin survives.

Obverse: Crowned letter A;

Reverse has the arms of Portugal.

Notes:

Finds of medieval Portuguese coins are not very common but the PAS has now recorded over 30 examples. Although quite widely distributed the route from Portugal to western Britain, and along the Bristol Channel to the Severn estuary is especially pronounced. This find fits well with this distribution although it is one of the first finds of Portuguese coins from the county.

Find of note status

This is a find of note and has been designated: County / local importance

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1438

Date to: Circa AD 1481

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 0.6 mm

Weight: 0.5 g

Diameter: 15 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Tuesday 2nd April 2019 - Tuesday 2nd April 2019

Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Fragment

Spatial metadata

Region: [West Midlands](#) (European Region)

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

District: [Shropshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Ellesmere

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.