

FIGURINE

Unique ID: WMID-B4DB49

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead or lead alloy figurine, of uncertain dating, probably Post Medieval (AD 1600 to AD 1800).

The figurine is anthropomorphic (human like), consisting of a standing male figure. The head is globular, with a flattened top hat. No facial details remain. The arms both come to the front of the body, with right arm held bent, and left arm touching the genitals. The genital area has a pronounced erect phallus, with two testicles underneath. The legs are positioned together. The feet merge into a circular platform. The reverse of the figurine is flat, with limited details.

It measures 58.2 mm in height, 14.3 mm wide and 15.9 mm thick. It weighs 54.3 g.

The figurine is a mid grey colour, with an even surface patina. Abrasion, caused by movement whilst within the plough soil, has resulted in a loss of some of the original surface detail.

Several different lead figurines have been recorded on the PAS database, some like WMID-F88A64 and WREX-472D31 have been linked to Priapus, due to the presence of a phallus or exaggerated genital area. The hat is more suggestive of Post medieval pipe tampers, like WMID-2404A3, PUBLIC-D30730 and PUBLIC-7C33CA which would indicate later dating (c. 1600 to 1800 AD).

Notes:

The figurine has been scanned using Qlone - mobile phone 3d scanning application.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: UNKNOWN

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1600

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 58.2 mm

Width: 14.3 mm

Thickness: 15.9 mm

Weight: 54.3 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Staffordshire](#) (County)

District: [South Staffordshire](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Penkridge](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ8814

Four figure Latitude: 52.72351235

Four figure longitude: -2.17910984

1:25K map: SJ8814

1:10K map: SJ81SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst out searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land