BLADE

Unique ID: HESH-B95088

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Lower segment of snapped flint blade of probable late Mesolithic date (6500BC - 3500BC). The flint tool is sub-rectangular in plan and broadly sub-triangular in cross section. The bulb of percussion is missing. The two long sides and the lower end of the blade have a limited amount of retouch / rework on them. The majority of this has been applied to the under side of the blade. The retouch is most extensive on the right hand edge, where there is a higher density of flake scars. There is no evidence of cortex (rough outer skin of the flint) on any part of the blade; this suggests that the flake was produced during the later life of the core once this material has been removed. The flint is a mid mottled brown grey colour and has been slightly abraded in the ploughsoil. The source of flint is difficult to ascertain; much of the local flint is procured from glacial and riverine sources. The snapped blade measures 13.3mm length, 15.5 mm width, is 3.5mm thick and weighs 0.83 grams.

Class: Snapped

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MESOLITHIC

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MESOLITHIC

Date from: 6500 BC Date to: 3500 BC

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Length: 13.5 mm Width: 15.5 mm Thickness: 3.5 mm Weight: 0.83 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Flint

Manufacture method: Knapped/flaked

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: West Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: County of Herefordshire (Unitary Authority)

District: County of Herefordshire (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: Wellington (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO4947

Four figure Latitude: 52.118952 Four figure longitude: -2.746267

1:25K map: SO4947 1:10K map: SO44NE

Grid reference source: From a paper map

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Fieldwalking General landuse: Cultivated land