

HARNESS PENDANT

Unique ID: NMS-6C22B4

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Medieval gilt copper alloy upright swivelling 'banner' from horse harness, two parts (now separate) comprising shield with horizontal loop projecting from one side to swivel on vertical bar with narrowed terminals (acting as integral rivets), the uppermost burred-over. Both faces of shield with gilt and enamelled armorial decoration: Or a fleur-de-lis Sable. Cf. Ashley (2002) nos. 241-3, closest to no.242. The bar probably originally projected vertically from the centre of a copper-alloy mount with two rectangular openings for leather straps to pass through, similar to that supporting a rectangular banner shown in Cherry (1991), Fig.2, no. 12. A circular example from London, complete with mount, is shown in Ward-Perkins (1940, Fig.40, no. 2), whilst another, from Mere Down, Wiltshire, can be dated to between 1351-61 (Shortt 1951). Bar: length 33mm, diameter 5.5mm. Shield: height 23mm, width 16mm, width loop 27mm. 14th century.

Sub class: elaborate set

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1300

Date to: Circa AD 1400

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 33 mm

Diameter: 5.5 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st January 2007

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

Region: [Eastern](#) (European Region)

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

District: [Breckland](#) (District)

To be known as: Fransham

Spatial coordinates

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Cherry, J., 1991 [Harness pendants](#) Salisbury: Salisbury & South Wiltshire Museum Fig.2, no. 12. ,