

AXE

Unique ID: HAMP-008852

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete flint axe of Neolithic date (4500 BC - 2000 BC). The implement is a mixture of light grey and weathered white on its surface. It is symmetrical in plan, with slightly serpentine edges when viewed from the side; the longitudinal edges have been slightly 'battered'. In cross-section the axe is sub-lozengiform. In plan, the butt is evenly curved, as is the cutting edge which is also semi-circular. One face is less worked towards the butt end; there is a stop beyond this ridge which corresponds with a depression on the other surface. On this same face there is a relatively unworked area towards the cutting edge. On the opposite surface the area above the cutting edge is higher with some relatively long removals down to the cutting edge. Some of the features suggest that the axe might not have been fully finished; although both faces have been knapped overall such that no cortex survives there is no evidence of grinding.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: NEOLITHIC

Period from: NEOLITHIC

Date from: 4500 BC

Date to: 2000 BC

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 173 mm

Width: 70.8 mm

Thickness: 35 mm

Weight: 406 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Tuesday 1st May 2007

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: E2124; R433

Materials and construction

Primary material: Flint

Manufacture method: Knapped/flaked
Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [Hampshire](#) (County)
District: [New Forest](#) (District)
Parish or ward: [Martin](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SU0618
Four figure Latitude: 50.961394
Four figure longitude: -1.915939
1:25K map: SU0618
1:10K map: SU01NE
Grid reference source: From a paper map
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Fieldwalking
General landuse: Grassland, Heathland
Specific landuse: Character undetermined