WEIGHT

Unique ID: HESH-950FA8

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Cast lead or lead alloy weight (possibly apothecaries' weight) of probable later Medieval or Post Medieval date (1350 - 1700). The weight is sub-rectangular in plan and profile being formed from a clipped sheet of lead. Each of the sides is slightly flattened and tapers. The upper surface of the weight is decorated with four circular stamps. Each stamp is exactly the same as the others being a raised rose with a central pellet set above a border of pellets. It is possible that the weight is further decorated with small pellets or notches around the outer edge; these have been badly abraded by movement in the ploughsoil. The weight is a mid brown buff colour with a relatively even patina that covers all surfaces. A light active powdery corrosion product is present on some surfaces. A direct parallel for this weight has not been found. It is most likely to date from the later medieval or post medieval periods, due to the use of the rose motif which is very similar to the Tudor rose. The weight measures 16.3mm length, 17.8mm width, is 2.6mm thick / high and weighs 5.89 grams or 0.21ozs (91.6 grains).

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: AD 1350 Date to: AD 1700

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 16.3 mm Width: 17.8 mm Thickness: 5.6 mm Weight: 5.89 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy Manufacture method: Cast

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: **Kingstone** (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO4235

Four figure Latitude: 52.010385 Four figure longitude: -2.846448

1:25K map: SO4235 1:10K map: SO43NW

Grid reference source: Centred on village (which isn't a parish) Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Cultivated land