

# PIN

**Unique ID:** SF4659

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Pin head and part of shaft. The head is of 'biconical with median band' shape, appears to be undecorated, and is 7-8 mm in diameter. There is no collar beneath the head; the shaft tapers from 3 mm diameter at the top to 2 mm diameter, bends and is then broken. The break extends up the middle of the shaft, suggesting that it was made in two pieces then hammered together. Dating of pins with no collar can be difficult as there is little difference between middle Anglo-Saxon and Roman examples, but the shape of the head and the construction of the shaft both suggest a middle Anglo-Saxon date. Current bent length is 31 mm.

## Chronology

Broad period: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Middle

Period from: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Ascribed Culture:

Date from: AD 720

Date to: AD 850

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 31 mm

Weight: 2.41 g

Diameter: 8 mm

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 1st November 2000 - Friday 1st December 2000

## Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Dr Helen Geake

Identified by: Dr Helen Geake

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Fragment

## Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Babergh](#) (District)

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## **Spatial coordinates**

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.

## **Discovery metadata**

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined

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