LITHIC IMPLEMENT

Unique ID: HAMP-0CE437

Object type certainty: Certain
Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Five different flint implements all from the same location within an area known to have large numbers of Mesolithic flints on the surface. There are two scrapers and three microliths, all of the same dark grey flint common to the locality. The scraper is quite large and crescent shaped, but only half the cortex has been removed on the dorsal face, exposing only the cutting edge, while all of it has been removed on the ventral face. The cortex runs almost exactly along the halfway line of the object, presenting a possibly deliberately contrasting effect. One of the microliths exhibits a similar manufacture, with the cortex being left on the area which would have been hafted. L.: 47.97mm, W.: 28.52mm, Th.: 12.68mm, Wt.: 17.1g This microlith appears almost as if two different shapes had been placed together: with one long crescent of a cutting edge pasted upon a rectangular base. A similar example, albeit smaller, in shape may be found in Bond (2002, 104; ref. 65). L.: 40.91mm, W.: 20.25mm, Th.: 7.87mm, Wt.: 6.03g The next microlith is trapezoidal in shape (a geometric form) and is slightly lighter than its fellows, with some small patinisation on the distal end of the dorsal face. There are three clear removal marks, and, again, it is almost bladelike in appearance. L.: 21.91mm, W.: 9.94mm, Th.: 3.04mm, Wt.: 0.76g The final microlith is also of this lighter grey colour, and once again shows patinisation on the left side of the dorsal face. It is somewhat irregular in shape but conforms just enough to the geometric scalene triangle type to be classified as such (Bond 2002, 97). L.: 37.24mm, W.: 20.96mm, Th.: 4.3mm, Wt.: 2.8g The end-scraper is rectangular with one straight and one rounded cutting edge. It is of the same dark grey flint, and is similar to examples in Bond (2002, 112; ref. 23) albeit a little more extended in shape. L.: 25.09mm, W.: 15.12mm, Th.: 3.9mm, Wt.: 1.89g

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MESOLITHIC
Subperiod from: Early
Period from: MESOLITHIC
Date from: 8300 BC
Date to: 6500 BC

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 5
Weight: 28.58 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Thursday 12th July 2007

Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

Other reference numbers

Other reference: E2242

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: East Hampshire (District)
Parish or ward: Petersfield (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SU7522
Four figure Latitude: 50.992521
Four figure longitude: -0.932725
1:25K map: SU7522
1:10K map: SU72SE
Grid reference source: From a paper map
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Fieldwalking
General landuse: Other
Specific landuse: Recreational usage

Bond, C., 2005 *PAS Guide to the Identification, Assessment and Recording of Lithics* London: The Portable Antiquities Scheme 97, 104, 112 , 65

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