HOOKED TAG

Unique ID: SOM-329465

Object type certainty: Probably Workflow status: Published

Silver artefact, heart-shaped, with back plate onto which a cushioned heart-shaped element has been soldered. The heart on the front decorated with applied filigree circles and knops radiating from the centre. The back flat with no sign of previously-attached bars or hooks, though the front right of the object suggests that a projecting element there has been torn away and lost. Length: 20 mm.

It is not clear how the object was worn or used but its decoration suggests a close comparison with Tudor dress fittings with hooks and attachment bars. Heart-shaped dress fittings are not as yet recorded through the Treasure Act however.

Probably 15th-16th century.

As such, due to its age and precious metal content, this object qualifies as Treasure under the stipulations of the Treasure Act 1996 (Dr Dora Thornton, Curator of Renaissance Collections).

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: Somerset County Museum Subsequent action after recording: Acquired by museum after being declared Treasure

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: 2008T390

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Subperiod from: Late Period from: MEDIEVAL Subperiod to: Early

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1400 Date to: Circa AD 1599

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 20.6 mm Width: 19.2 mm Thickness: 4.2 mm Weight: 2.1 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 1st June 2008

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: Entry 020285 Treasure case number: 2008T390

Museum accession number: TTNCM 81/2010

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: South West (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Somerset (County)

District: **South Somerset** (District)

To be known as: Crewkerne

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From a paper map

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Current location: Somerset County Museum

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined