

VESSEL

Unique ID: YORYM-F0AE38

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A cast copper alloy chafing dish lug, which would have held the handle. Chafing dishes were domestic utensils made of metal or earthenware for holding burning charcoal or other combustible material. This was then used to cook food or keep it hot at the table (Lewis, 1973). This lug comprises two hooks cast integrally side by side. Each hook is rounded with a worn central slot for the handle to sit in. The area in between the hooks is narrowed. One terminal has a rounded projection, which was probably once used to attach the lug to the rest of the vessel. The projection is very worn and damaged. The object has an overall rectangular section. The metal is a pitted dark brownish-green colour. This object dates to the late medieval to post medieval period, circa 1450 - 1600. Similar lugs do appear on the PAS database, but they tend to only have a single hook, where as this example has two. A single hooked (or possibly broken) example can be seen on PAS database No. LIN-A3BD02 it was found in Willoughby with Sloothby (Lincolnshire).

Class: Chafing dish

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Subperiod to: Late

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1450

Date to: Circa AD 1650

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 57.9 mm

Width: 14.5 mm

Thickness: 6.3 mm

Weight: 21.5 g

Discovery dates

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

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Mrs Liz Andrews-Wilson

Identified by: Mrs Liz Andrews-Wilson

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast
Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [Yorkshire and the Humber](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [York](#) (Unitary Authority)
District: [York](#) (Unitary Authority)
To be known as: Earswick

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector
General landuse: Cultivated land
Specific landuse: Character undetermined

Lewis, J.M., 1973 [Some types of metal chafing-dish](#) ,