FINGER RING

Unique ID: SOM-2F0DC7

Object type certainty: Certain Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Late-Medieval/Early Post-Medieval silver-gilt finger ring, probably dating to the 15th/early 16th century. Rings of this style are usually iconographic (for example see Treasure case 2005 T175), often containing images of the saints. However, the bezel of this one is divided into three sections, the central containing a heart and the ones on either side containing a circle divided by a cross, all surrounded by a crude foliate pattern. The shoulders of the ring are moulded to form a flower, whilst the rear of the ring is decorated with an alternating pattern of diagonal ridges and lines of pellets. The ring is silver-gilt.

Notes:

15th Century-early 16th Century.

Consequently, in terms of age and as the object contains a minimum of 10% precious metal it qualifies as Treasure under the stipulations of the Treasure Act 1996.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder after being disclaimed as Treasure

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: 2009T242

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: AD 1400 Date to: AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Width: 10.43 mm Thickness: 4.46 mm Weight: 11.14 g Diameter: 25.78 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 22nd March 2009

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: Entry 020433 Treasure case number: 2009T242

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver Secondary material: Copper alloy Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Complete Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

Region: <u>South West</u> (European Region) County or Unitary authority: <u>Somerset</u> (County) District: <u>Sedgemoor</u> (District) To be known as: North Petherton

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

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