FINGER RING

Unique ID: DUR-FA9055

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Gold finger ring, probably of Roman date. The hoop consists of a narrow band, slightly elliptical in section. The ovoid bezel, which has been soldered onto the hoop, consists of an outer decorative band of beaded wire which surrounds a box setting for stone, now missing. The setting is crushed and damaged and the hoop bent and distorted. Discussion: the ring is probably of Roman date, although this is not certain. A parallel for the style of the ring was found at Leeuwarden and published by Henkel (1913, no. 135). Date: 3rd to 4th centuries AD? Wt.: 2.41g D. of bezel: 9.5mm Reference: Henkel, F. 1913. Die Römischen Fingerringe der Rheinlande und der Benachbarten Gebiete. Berlin. Note: this items is made substantially of gold and is more than 300 years old, and thus qualifies as treasure as stipulated in the Treasure Act 1996. Dr Richard Hobbs

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: 2010T768

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN Period from: ROMAN Period to: ROMAN

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 17.06 mm Weight: 2.4 g Diameter: 13.9 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 20th November 2010

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Treasure case number: 2010T768

Materials and construction

Primary material: Gold Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: North East (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: County Durham (Unitary Authority)

District: County Durham (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Wheatley Hill

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: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m