# **COIN**

Unique ID: IOW-B25B68

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A post-Medieval Irish copper-alloy 'gun money' sixpence of James II (1685-1691 AD), dated 1689 on

coin and minted at Dublin or Limerick. Spink: 6583B.

Obverse: IACOBVS . II.-DEI . GRATIA; Laureate and draped bust left

Reverse: 1689 . MAG . BR . FRA . ET . HIB . REX; Crown with two sceptres crossed behind, in each

quarter VI//I/R//July (VI = denomination)

These were official tokens issued in Ireland when James was attempting to recover the English throne and and were supposed to be exchanged for silver coins of equivalent value. They were made from old cannon, bells and scrap metal. James failed in his attempt and the coins were never exchanged.

#### **Subsequent actions**

Current location of find: Finder

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

### Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL Period from: POST MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Exactly AD 1689

## **Dimensions and weight**

Quantity: 1 Weight: 3.17 g

Diameter: 21.52 mm

#### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 11th April 2012

#### Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

### Other reference numbers

Other reference: IOW2012-1-215

#### **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Complete

## **Spatial metadata**

Region: South East (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: <u>Isle of Wight</u> (Unitary Authority)

District: <u>Isle of Wight</u> (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Isle of Wight

## **Spatial coordinates**

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

# **Discovery metadata**

Method of discovery: Metal detector Discovery circumstances: Club rally

Current location: Finder

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m