

MOUNT

Unique ID: LON-387EB5

Object type certainty: Probably

Workflow status: Published

A copper-alloy zoomorphic mount or strap end, probably dating to the AD 12th century. The mount is in the form of a swimming bird or dragon, with the body of the bird forming the bar mount and the neck and head projecting upwards. The detail of the bird has been cast with some shaping and linear grooves to depict the wings and the tail is a flaring projection at the end of the mount, again linear grooves depict the details of the feathers. There are two rivets holes for attachment, one between the wings, just below the base of the neck and one through the tail. Only the rivet nearest the neck survives. The underside of the mount is mostly flat but there is a slight step at the surviving rivet. This raises the suggestion that perhaps this is a strap end, but compare SF-1EADD4 and references there; these objects might also be furniture or box mounts. See also NCL-2072E1.

Dimensions: length: 46.78 mm; width: 11.94mm; thickness: 15.49mm; weight:8.35g.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1100

Date to: Circa AD 1300

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 46.78 mm

Width: 11.94 mm

Thickness: 15.49 mm

Weight: 8.35 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [Kent](#) (County)
District: [Dartford](#) (District)
Parish or ward: [Southfleet](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TQ6170
Four figure Latitude: 51.406176
Four figure longitude: 0.313392
1:25K map: TQ6170
1:10K map: TQ67SW
Grid reference source: From a paper map
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector
General landuse: Cultivated land
Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m