BROOCH

Unique ID: SF-E19992

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete cast copper-alloy Roman Hod Hill or derivative brooch. Only the base of the bow, foot and part of the catchplate survive, the remainder now missing due to old breaks. The bow is flat, rectangular in form and with moulded decoration on the front face comprising four vertical flutes separated by vertical ribs, possibly with additional moulded decoration at the centre, but this is uncertain due to old breaks. At the base of the bow are two transverse ridges separated by a narrow waist that separate the bow and foot. The foot itself is flat, triangular in form, tapering towards the base where there is an incomplete projecting knop. The front face of the foot has the remains of an added white metal coating with possible incised border but this is uncertain due to the preservation of the object. On the back face of the foot is an integral catchplate that is flat, triangular in form and missing its outer edge due to old breaks. The entire object measures 33.67mm in length, 7.99mm in width, 2.86mm in thickness (at bow, 8.55mm including catchplate) and weighs 2.88g.

This is an incomplete Roman brooch, probably from a Hod Hill or derivative brooch. It finds parallels in examples published by Hattatt (1989: nos. 50, 311-312) and is of probable 1st century AD date, c.43-100 AD.

Class: Hod Hill

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN Period from: ROMAN Period to: ROMAN Date from: Circa AD 43 Date to: Circa AD 100

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 33.67 mm Width: 7.99 mm Thickness: 2.86 mm Weight: 2.88 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st April 2013

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: Eastern (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Suffolk (County)

District: Suffolk Coastal (District)

To be known as: Otley

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Chance find during metal detecting

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined