SOCKETED AXEHEAD

Unique ID: YORYM-980C73

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete cast copper alloy socketed axehead of late Bronze Age date - circa 1100 - 800 BC. Only the tip of the axe survives consisting of a curved cutting edge with prominently flared sides. The base of the socket is visible where the body of the axe is broken and taper sin width towards the cutting edge. The remaining portion of the axehead is undecorated and the breaks are worn. The metal has a dark reddish-brown patina and is worn. The axehead is 28mm long, 41.6mm wide, 8.3mm thick and weighs 14.6g.

Due to the incomplete nature of the axehead it is not possible to ascribe it to a particular type series and it has therefore been dated broadly as late Bronze Age in date circa 1100 - 800 BC.

Class: Socketed

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: BRONZE AGE

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: BRONZE AGE Period to: BRONZE AGE Date from: Circa 1100 BC Date to: Circa 800 BC

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Length: 28 mm Width: 41.6 mm Thickness: 8.3 mm Weight: 14.6 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

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

Spatial metadata

Region: North East (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: County Durham (Unitary Authority)

District: County Durham (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: Wycliffe with Thorpe (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: NZ1113

Four figure Latitude: 54.512189 Four figure longitude: -1.831612

1:25K map: NZ1113 1:10K map: NZ11SW

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined