

BROOCH

Unique ID: BERK-4AE6C5

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete cast copper alloy Anglo-Saxon small long brooch dating to the 6th century AD. The brooch is missing its head plate and the curved bow; a sub-lozenge shaped body narrows into a short neck that is delineated by a thick raised band set horizontally across the brooch; beneath this band in the expanded crescentic foot. The brooch is worn and is suffering from corrosion and it is not possible to tell what the decorative style was, however traces of tinning or silvering are extant. On the reverse part of the catchplate remains. A similar example but with a more rounded foot was recovered from the cemetery at Wally Corner in Berinsfield (Oxon) and is illustrated in MacGregor & Bolick (1993:126) no 15.5. Another similarly styled example from Sussex is illustrated in West *et al.* 1998 p248 fig 130.4.

Small long brooches were in use during the early Anglo-Saxon period (AD c.410-720) and are generally dated from the 5th to the 6th centuries AD.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Early

Period from: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Subperiod to: Early

Period to: EARLY MEDIEVAL

Ascribed Culture: Anglo-Saxon style

Date from: Circa AD 450

Date to: Circa AD 550

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 45.51 mm

Width: 21.4 mm

Thickness: 8.92 mm

Weight: 10 g

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: 2013.676

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Oxfordshire](#) (County)

District: [Cherwell](#) (District)

To be known as: Cherwell district

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

West, S.E., 1998 [A Corpus of Anglo-Saxon material from Suffolk](#) Ipswich: Suffolk County Council