

# AXEHEAD

**Unique ID:** NLM-2B6FA8

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Greenstone polished axe, reworked into waisted form. Polished Group 6 axehead fragment comprising a crescentic cutting edge and c.30mm of the original sides of the axe meeting its ends. Beyond this point, pecking has transformed a probable originally oval form of lentoid section by forming a marked waist or in-swing. This might have facilitated a tied fastening, though its security was perhaps compromised by loss or damage to the butt end, which is probably truncated and certainly fractured. The waisted form recurs on a polished axe dated to between the Later Neolithic and Early Bronze Age from Sandbach, Cheshire (LVPL-0E5426) whose illustration suggests manufacture from similar material. Suggested date: Neolithic (4000-2350 BC), with reworking probably in the later Neolithic (2700-2350 BC).

Length: 75.8mm, Width: 50.8mm, Thickness: 24.8mm, Weight: 124.19gms.

**Class:** Group 6 **Evidence of reuse:** reduced from lentoid to waisted form

## Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: NEOLITHIC

Subperiod from: Early

Period from: NEOLITHIC

Subperiod to: Late

Period to: NEOLITHIC

Date from: Circa 4000 BC

Date to: Circa 2350 BC

Period of reuse: NEOLITHIC

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 75.8 mm

Width: 50.8 mm

Thickness: 24.8 mm

Weight: 124.19 g

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Tuesday 4th March 2014

## Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Mr Martin Foreman

Identified by: Mr Martin Foreman

## Other reference numbers

Other reference: NLM25138

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Stone

Manufacture method: Ground/polished

Completeness: Incomplete

## Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [West Lindsey](#) (District)

To be known as: near Market Rasen

## Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Chance find during metal detecting

General landuse: Cultivated land