

BROOCH

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A Roman brooch of Colchester derivative, Polden Hill (Mackreth Group 4, flat wing ends type, West Midlands), Mackreth 2011, 4.a-4.b, 4c, Plate 46 of AD c. 80-120. The brooch is copper alloy and incomplete. The wings are semi-cylindrical terminating with perforated wing caps. The wings are undecorated. At the junction of the wings and bow head has the remains of an integral hook which holds the chord in place. The axis bar and spring are all iron, and there are probably 9 coils of the spring. The pin is missing. The bowhead is hump-like in profile and is undecorated. The bow is sub-oval in section, and gradually tapers to break which is recent. The surface of the brooch has an incomplete mid-dark brown patina. It measures 21.61mm long, 21.38mm wide across the wings and weighs 9.5g.

The brooch is a Polden Hill type. Bayley and Butcher (2004:160) comment that the distribution of Polden Hill brooches are concentrated in the West Midlands and suggest they date to AD 80 to 120.

Bayley and Butcher, 2004 Roman Brooches in Britain: A technological and Typological Study Based on the Richborough Collection Society of Antiquaries

Class: Colchester derivative, Polden Hill (Mackreth Group 4, flat wing ends type, West Midlands)

Sub class: Mackreth 2011, 4.a-4.b, 4c, Plate 46

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Circa AD 80

Date to: Circa AD 120

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 21.61 mm

Width: 21.38 mm

Weight: 9.5 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 20th January 2014

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Secondary material: Iron

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [County of Herefordshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [County of Herefordshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: [Colwall](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO7541

Four figure Latitude: 52.06680222

Four figure longitude: -2.36610911

1:25K map: SO7541

1:10K map: SO74SE

Grid reference source: From 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