

COIN

Unique ID: WMID-DFE6A2

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

A Post medieval lead alloy (contemporary) imitation of an 8 Reales of Charles III of Spain (1759-1788), dated 1777. The 'coin' was probably produced as a trial piece for the forgery of these coins.

Diameter: 39.6 mm

Thickness: 3.1 mm

Weight: 28.4 g

Notes:

During part of the reign of George III (1760-1820), Spanish American 8 Reales ('dollars') were countermarked and used as official currency in Britain owing to a dangerous shortage of local coin. This piece may have been a trial piece used during the forgery of 8 Reales during this period.

Find of note status

This is a find of note and has been designated: County / local importance

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1770

Date to: Circa AD 1780

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 3.1 mm

Weight: 28.4 g

Diameter: 39.6 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 18th April 2014

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Staffordshire Moorlands](#) (District)

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

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ9553

Four figure Latitude: 53.07420692

Four figure longitude: -2.07608178

1:25K map: SJ9553

1:10K map: SJ95SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst searching with a metal detector