

TOKEN

Unique ID: WMID-05A3F5

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead or lead alloy uniface token of Late Medieval to Early Post Medieval dating (AD 1400 to AD 1600).

The token is circular in shape. The obverse depicts a circle with a pellet in the centre, this is segmented by semi circles around the edge of the token which form a quatrefoil (four pointed diamond shape) in the centre surrounding the pellet (Powell Type: 3 and 31). The obverse decoration resembles a spoked wheel. The reverse is undecorated.

The token has a diameter of 19.6 mm and is 2.5 mm thick. It weighs 5.4 g.

The token is a mid grey in colour with an even patina. Abrasion caused by movement whilst within the plough soil has resulted in the loss of some of the original surface detail.

Lead tokens are a frequently occurring find, with a variety of different designs. Tokens like this, were used as tallies or as replacement low denomination coinage during the Medieval and Post Medieval periods.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1400

Date to: Circa AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 2.5 mm

Weight: 5.4 g

Diameter: 19.6 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 26th March 2014 - Wednesday 26th March 2014

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Decoration style: Curvilinear

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Stafford](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Hopton and Coton](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ9425

Four figure Latitude: 52.82249793

Four figure longitude: -2.0904795

1:25K map: SJ9425

1:10K map: SJ92NW

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 out using a metal detector