

BROOCH

Unique ID: SF-F95D33

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete copper-alloy early Anglo-Saxon annular brooch frame. This frame is roughly circular in shape and measures c44mm in external diameter and cc28mm in internal diameter.

This frame has a rectangular pin hole, measuring 4mm by 2.5mm in size, it has rounded corners. There are traces of corroded iron around this pin hole and on the opposite side of the frame, this is presumably the remains of an iron pin, now missing. The front face of the frame is decorated with five evenly spaced bands of decoration, each band consisting of six transverse grooves. Along the inner and outer edges of the front face inbetween these five bands of decoration there are borders consisting of small indented circles. The back face of the frame is undecorated but again has corroded iron adhering to it, probably from the original iron pin.

Similar flat annular brooches with stamped decoration have been discovered in Icklingham, Suffolk (West 1998, 169, fig 52 and McGregor and Bolick 1993, 88, no 10.31). Their distribution is most heavily concentrated in the Anglian territories and they date from the late 5th to the late 6th century.

Class: annular

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

Date from: Circa AD 470

Date to: Circa AD 570

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Weight: 8.44 g

Diameter: 44 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Thursday 1st April 2004

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Identified by: Miss Faye Minter

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Complete

Surface Treatment: Stamped

Spatial metadata

Region: [Eastern](#) (European Region)

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

District: [Breckland](#) (District)

To be known as: Banham

West, S.E., 1998 [A Corpus of Anglo-Saxon material from Suffolk](#) Ipswich: Suffolk County Council
169, fig 52 ,