

BROOCH

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A complete copper alloy early medieval annular brooch. The hoop is broad and flattened, rectangular in cross-section, concave to the reverse with a convex outer face. The outer face is decorated with approximately four concentric lines of small incised dashes. Just behind the inner edge at one side is a small circular hole still holding a delicate simple wire pin. The brooch survives in good condition with a shiny green patina.

Small annular brooches of this form are found in late 5th to 6th century contexts (MacGregor and Bolick 1993, 82), with those with round pin holes becoming more common than those with pin slots during the early 6th century (Penn and Brugmann 2007, 25).

Diameter: 19.12mm, thickness: 0.65mm, weight: 0.87g

This brooch is of Leeds type E.

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

Date from: Circa AD 480

Date to: Circa AD 600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 0.65 mm

Weight: 0.87 g

Diameter: 19.12 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st May 2015

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Breckland](#) (District)

To be known as: Hilborough

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined