TOKEN

Unique ID: WAW-0015CE

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Six Post Medieval (c. 1500 to 1900) lead tokens:

- 1. The design consists of a central pellet with numerous radiating lines, possibly depicting a cart wheel Powell Type 3. The reverse is undecorated and the token is incomplete. The surface has a matte oxidised dark grey colour. The token measure 24.82 long, 16.58mm wide, 2.43mm thick, weighs 5g.
- 2. The design consists of a central line with obliquely angled lines protruding from it like a feather Powell Type 4. The reverse is undecorated. The surface is a matte mid grey colour. The token measure 16.51mm long, 15.55mm wide, 2.39mm thick, weighs 3.37g.
- 3. The design consists of a central pellet with numerous radiating lines, possibly depicting a cart wheel Powell Type 3. The surface is a matte light brown colour. The token measure 18.09mm long, 17.49mm wide, 4.02mm thick, weighs 7.67g.
- 4. The design consists of simplistic lis Powell Type 4. The reverse is undecorated. The surface is a mid brown colour. The token is probably complete and measures 20.74mm long, 20.36mm wide, 3.24mm thick, weighs 6.66g.
- 5. The design consists of a possibly petalled flower Powell Type 1. The reverse is undecorated. The surface is a matte oxidised light brown/grey colour and the token is incomplete. The token measure 30.32mm long, 22.78mm wide, 4mm thick, weighs 9.25g.
- 6. The design consists of a central pellet and radiating lines. Around the edge is a border of chevrons, overall it appears to be a flower Powell Type 1. The reverse is undecorated. The surface is a light brown colour. The token measure 20.3mm long, 20.17mm wide, 2.59mm thick, weighs 4.32g.

Lead tokens had a wide variety of potential uses such as use as tallies, gaming pieces, tickets, weights, etc. and are believed to have been locally produced; they are therefore difficult to date precisely. Those carrying initials are generally deemed to be Post Medieval in date (1500-1850 AD), those which seem to mimic Medieval penny designs are deemed to be possibly Medieval, the remainder which carry stylised designs remain difficult to date but the majority are probably Post Medieval in date c.1500-1800. Powell (2012) comments that Types 1, 3 and 4 is a design which was commonly made stock and occur in large quantities, dating to the late 16th to mid 19th centuries.

Powell, D. 2012 'The 18th century Sophistication of the Stock Design' *Lead Token Telegraph* Issue 86.

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 1500 Date to: Circa AD 1900

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 6

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 3rd September 2014 - Wednesday 2nd December 2015

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: West Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Staffordshire (County)

District: South Staffordshire (District)

Parish or ward: Pattingham and Patshull (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO8198

Four figure Latitude: 52.57947692 Four figure longitude: -2.28182343

1:25K map: SO8198 1:10K map: SO89NW

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.