FINGER RING

Unique ID: WILT-B817E9

Object type certainty: Certain Workflow status: Published

A complete silver medieval finger ring dating to c. AD 1350-1500. The object is composed of a circular band with a flattened integral, rectangular bezel and tapering rectangular shoulders. The internal face of the band is undecorated but shows signs of wear and production. The shoulders and bezel of the outer face have intricate decoration. The shoulders have a rectangular pellet border along each edge, interupted 3.67mm from the bezel by two raised crosses. The lower half of the band is decorated with symmetrical incised patterns consisting of a single horizontal row of chevrons. The facet of the bezel shows a worn cross design. The solder line of the butt joint is not visible on either face of the band.

The bezel measures 1.59mm in height, 7.56mm in length and 6.26mm in width. The shoulders measure 5.85mm wide and 1.32mm thick. This narrows to form the hoop, measuring 2.55mm wide and 1.13mm thick. External diameter measures 22.39mm and the internal diameter measures 19.24mm.

Similar examples can be seen on the Portable Antiquities Database: DOR-B34DBE, DUR-5A07CB, DENO-E4AE15 and YORYM-D3998D. As well as Egan and Pritchard, page 333, catalogue number 1634.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Declared Treasure but returned to Finder as Museum unable to acquire

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: 2016T854

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1350 Date to: Circa AD 1500

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Height: 1.59 mm Width: 5.85 mm Thickness: 1.32 mm Weight: 3.33 g Diameter: 22.39 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 8th May 2016

Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

Other reference numbers

Other reference: SSWM4785 Treasure case number: 2016T854

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: <u>South West</u> (European Region) County or Unitary authority: <u>Swindon</u> (Unitary Authority) District: <u>Swindon</u> (Unitary Authority) To be known as: Castle Eaton

Spatial coordinates

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.