TOKEN

Unique ID: WMID-8BAE7A

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A cast lead alloy token of later medieval to post-medieval date, circa (AD1400-1800). The token is broadly sub-circular in plan. The obverse has a series of ribs in light relief possibly forming a grid (Powell type 7). There is a single pellet located in one quarter. The reverse is flat and undecorated. The token has a mid-brown coloured patina across all surfaces.

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 (1500-1850AD), those which seem to mimic Medieval penny designs are deemed to be Medieval, the remainder which carry stylised designs remain difficult to date but the majority are probably Post Medieval in date c.1500-1800.

The token measures 21.82mm diameter is 5.17mm thick and weighs 12.5 grams.

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: MEDIEVAL
Period to: POST MEDIEVAL
Date from: Circa AD 1400
Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 5.17 mm Weight: 12.5 g Diameter: 21.82 mm

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: 'B'

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: West Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Staffordshire (County)

District: South Staffordshire (District)

Parish or ward: Lapley, Stretton and Wheaton Aston (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ8612

Four figure Latitude: 52.70548478 Four figure longitude: -2.2086357

1:25K map: SJ8612 1:10K map: SJ81SE

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.