# PLUMB BOB

**Unique ID:** LVPL-C8B1A3

Object type certainty: Certain Workflow status: Published

An incomplete lead alloy plumbob dating to the Medieval period. The weight is oval in plan and cross-section with a central decorated panel on each face. The decorated panel on each face sits within an oval depression with the decoration on one face consisting of a zig-zag ridge running the length of the panel with three pellets between each turn of the ridge. The opposite face of the object is decorated with an scroll pattern.

The top of the object is incomplete and is dished with a projection at each edge. These projections would have expanded to form an attachment loop when complete. The object has a mid-white patina and is in good condition.

Dimensions: 62mm in length, 18mm in width, 8mm thick, 66.3g

Similar examples which have been recorded on the PAS database are LVPL-C4474B <a href="https://finds.org.uk/database/artefacts/record/id/800767">https://finds.org.uk/database/artefacts/record/id/800767</a> and LANCUM-EF6241 <a href="https://finds.org.uk/database/artefacts/record/id/500767">https://finds.org.uk/database/artefacts/record/id/500767</a>.

A published parallel is from Abbotts Bromley, Staffordshire which bears an inscription 'ROGER' which allows it to be dated to the 13th-first half or the 14th century (Alexander, J and Binski, P 1987, Age of Chivalry, Art in Plantagenet England, 1200-1400, Weidenfeld and Nicholson, London, p. 384, No. 427).

#### Find of note status

This is a find of note and has been designated: Regional importance

#### **Subsequent actions**

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

#### Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1100 Date to: Circa AD 1400

### **Dimensions and weight**

Quantity: 1 Length: 62 mm Width: 18 mm Thickness: 8 mm Weight: 66.3 g

### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 30th September 2016 - Friday 30th September 2016

#### Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

#### **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Lead Alloy Manufacture method: Cast Decoration style: Interlace Completeness: Incomplete

## **Spatial metadata**

Region: North West (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Cheshire West and Chester (Unitary Authority)

District: Cheshire West and Chester (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Guilden Sutton

## **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