

BUTTON

Unique ID: SOM-4012DA

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A Post-Medieval composite lead alloy button with embedded iron wire shank, probably dating to c. AD 1600-1750. The button is discoidal, with a shallow convex front and flat reverse, with much of the original edge now abraded away. The front is decorated with a simple rose motif moulded in relief. A casting seam survives on the reverse, with the vestigial remains of a separate iron shank embedded into the surface in line with this seam.

Dimensions: Diameter 15.9mm; thickness 6.0mm; weight 3.07g.

Comparable buttons can be seen published by Read, B., 2005. [Metal Buttons c. 900 BC - c. AD 1700.](#), dating to the 17th and early 18th century.

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 1600

Date to: Circa AD 1750

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 6 mm

Weight: 3.07 g

Diameter: 15.9 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st January 2016 - Thursday 6th April 2017

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Mr Wil Partridge

Identified by: Mr Wil Partridge

Other reference numbers

Other reference: SCC receipt: 017350

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Secondary material: Iron

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South West](#) (European Region)

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

District: [South Somerset](#) (District)

To be known as: Charlton Musgrove CP

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From a paper map

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Read, B., 2005 [Metal Buttons c. 900 BC - c. AD 1700](#) Langport: Portcullis Publishing