

GOUGE

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Copper Alloy Late Bronze Age socketed gouge. The gouge has a circular mouth (17mm outside diameter) and single raised flanged collar at the opening. In plan it tapers over the majority of its 84.5mm length but flares out in the final 15mm to form a C-shaped cross-section cutting edge. The cutting edge extends back in a V-shaped flute to restore the full circular section around 12mm short of the mouth of the gouge. Casting seams are evident on either side of the gouge which are set in the horizontal plane when the flute is placed uppermost. The socket contains extensive remains of the wooden shaft which at the time of writing is still in situ. The condition of the gouge is good, consisting of a dark brown patina broken by rougher lighter brown patches. Cf a similar less complete example from Great Ellingham in Norfolk, database reference NMS-817C97. The form is consistent with the Ewart Park/ Lyn Fawr phases of the the late Bronze Age. Circa 900-700 BC.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: BRONZE AGE

Period from: BRONZE AGE

Period to: BRONZE AGE

Date from: Circa 900 BC

Date to: Circa 700 BC

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 84.5 mm

Diameter: 17 mm

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

SMR reference number: Lincs

Other reference: IND25082017GC

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Secondary material: Wood

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [East Midlands](#) (European Region)

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

District: [East Lindsey](#) (District)

To be known as: Near Horncastle

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.