

TOKEN

Unique ID: ESS-4C32CD

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Copper alloy 17th century trader's token. Issuer unknown. Obverse shows initials W I D in centre with inscription around edge. Inscription is illegible. Reverse shows a shield. Other details illegible.

Notes:

Trade tokens were issued between 1648 and 1673 at a time when there was little low denomination coinage being issued by the crown. As a result traders and business proprietors began issuing tokens as an alternate coinage with equivalent denominations of a farthing, half penny or penny. Such trade tokens rarely travel far from their place of issue and provide a wonderful insight to the trade of the time (V. Oakden).

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 1650

Date to: Circa AD 1700

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 0.5 mm

Weight: 0.5 g

Diameter: 14.4 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Thursday 9th March 2017

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [Eastern](#) (European Region)

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

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

Parish or ward: [Little Hadham](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TL4321

Four figure Latitude: 51.86925233

Four figure longitude: 0.07560856

1:25K map: TL4321

1:10K map: TL42SW

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land