

TOKEN

Unique ID: WMID-6FB3A2

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A lead alloy token of later medieval to post-medieval date, circa (AD1400-1800). The token is circular in plan. The obverse depicts a six petalled flower, Powell Type 1 (Symbolic Petalled Flower) The reverse face is flat and un-decorated. The token has a cream to grey coloured patina across all surfaces which also has areas of abrasion.

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 (1500-1850 AD), 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. Powell (2012) comments that Type 1, 31, and 3 are designs which were commonly made stock and occur in large quantities, dating to the late 16th to mid 19th centuries.

The token measures 23.2 mm diameter, is 2.7 mm thick and weighs 10.1 grams

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1400

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 2.7 mm

Weight: 10.1 g

Diameter: 23.2 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 8th November 2017 - Wednesday 8th November 2017

Personal details

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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: [Essington](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ9502

Four figure Latitude: 52.6157479

Four figure longitude: -2.07528184

1:25K map: SJ9502

1:10K map: SJ90SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.