

KEY (LOCKING)

Unique ID: SF-C15044

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete cast copper-alloy key dating to the Medieval period, c. 1150-1400. It demonstrates a circular bow with an off-centre aperture broadly at its midpoint, thinning as it transitions into the circular-sectioned hollow shank. At the end of the key the rectangular bit extends from its underside, on the front edge of which a small cleft is visible. Preserved in fair condition with an even green patina, it measures 34.73mm in length, 11.72mm in diameter at the widest point of the bow, and 3.91mm thick at the midpoint of the shank. It weighs 4.1g.

A very similar key has been recorded on the PAS database as [BUC-22FA67](#).

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1150

Date to: Circa AD 1400

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 34.73 mm

Thickness: 3.91 mm

Weight: 4.1 g

Diameter: 11.72 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 28th March 2018

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Forest Heath](#) (District)

To be known as: Mildenhall

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Centred on field

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land