WHETSTONE

Unique ID: PUBLIC-36B0EE

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A fragment of whetstone of unknown date.

Description: The object is made from a fine-grained, quartz-rich sandstone, is sub-rectangular in section and trapezoidal in plan, broken across both ends. There are several lines scored across one surface, typical of those found on many whetstones and part of the sharpening action.

Measurements: Length78.51mm, width 48.29mm, thickness 23.89mm, weight 121g

Discussion: Dating of whetstones is difficult as they were used from the later Iron Age to modern times. The location and associated finds suggest an early-medieval to early post-medieval date.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: UNKNOWN Period from: EARLY MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 700

Date to: Circa AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 78.51 mm Width: 48.29 mm Thickness: 23.89 mm

Weight: 121 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 25th March 2018

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Stone Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: East Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Lincolnshire (County)

District: East Lindsey (District)

Parish or ward: **South Somercotes** (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TF4393

Four figure Latitude: 53.41443125 Four figure longitude: 0.1500926

1:25K map: TF4393 1:10K map: TF49SW

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Chance find during metal detecting

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Operations to a depth less than 0.25 m