

# TOKEN

**Unique ID:** IOW-4ACD5B

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete post-Medieval lead alloy circular double-sided token (c. 1500-c. 1850). Powell Type 10.

The token has raised bust facing right on one side. The other side may have a design but it is worn and unclear. Each side has a raised rim.

This token is brownish buff.

Diameter: 20.3mm. Weight: 7.58g.

Lead tokens had a wide variety of potential uses such 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), 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. 1500-1850.

The Powell classification system, in which there are over 30 categories, attempts to classify these leaden tokens according to the designs featured on each face, but it does not assign any dating information to the design typology.

Powell, D. Leaden Tokens Telegraph Newsletter. Issue Sixteen.

**Class:** Double-sided

## Subsequent actions

Current location of find: Finder

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Early

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod to: Late

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1500

Date to: Circa AD 1850

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Weight: 7.58 g

Diameter: 20.3 mm

## Discovery dates

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

## Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Mr Frank Basford

Identified by: Mr Frank Basford

## Other reference numbers

Other reference: IOW2018-8-45

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Completeness: Complete

## Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Isle of Wight

## Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Club rally

Current location: Finder

General landuse: Grassland, Heathland

Specific landuse: Regularly improved

Powell, D., 2004. [Leaden Tokens Telegraph Newsletter](#) London : London Numismatic Club Issue Sixteen