# SPINDLE WHORL

Unique ID: WMID-D943F1

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead or lead alloy flat spindle whorl, of Roman to Post Medieval dating (AD 43 - AD 1650).

The spindle whorl is sub circular in shape, and rectangular in cross section. The central hole is sub circular in shape and has an internal diameter measuring 6.4 mm wide. Both faces are flat and undecorated.

The whorl has a diameter of 23.4 mm and is 6.8 mmthick. It weighs 20.2 grams.

The whorl is of a light cream colour, with an even surface patina. Abrasion, caused by movement whilst within the plough soil, has resulted in a loss of some of the original surface detail.

Spindle whorls, as an artefact type, can be hard to date accurately as they remained in use for a long period of time. Fine threads such as silk require a lighter whorl than those used to spun wool or linen.

Class: flat

### **Subsequent actions**

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

#### Chronology

Broad period: UNKNOWN Period from: ROMAN

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 43 Date to: Circa AD 1650

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 6.8 mm Weight: 20.2 g Diameter: 23.4 mm

#### Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

#### **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Completeness: Complete

## Spatial metadata

Region: West Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Warwickshire (County)

District: <u>North Warwickshire</u> (District) Parish or ward: <u>Middleton</u> (Civil Parish)

## **Spatial coordinates**

4 Figure: SP1798

Four figure Latitude: 52.57955073 Four figure longitude: -1.75055595

1:25K map: SP1798 1:10K map: SP19NE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.