

PIN

Unique ID: SOM-3F233A

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete post-medieval copper-alloy and gilded dress-pin with filigree and granulated ornament dating to AD1500 - 1600. The pin shaft is missing.

The head is hollow and spherical, 13.6 mm in diameter. It is made up of two hemispheres joined at a transverse seam masked by a double-stranded band of applied twisted wire. Both hemispheres are decorated with three applied circles of twisted wire, containing a central pellet surrounded by three further, equally spaced, circles. There is an applied pellet between each larger circle, with a small applied circle of wire in each spandrel. There is an applied pellet at the apex of the pin head, with a truncated stub of the lost pin projecting from the opposite side. There are traces of gilding visible on the surface. The height of the pin head is 14.5mm and it weighs 1.63g.

Similar pins made of silver gilt are relatively commonly reported through the treasure process, see SOM-66CE77 and SOM-CD8CD7, amongst others, however gilt copper alloy examples are also known, e.g. SOM-48704D.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1500

Date to: Circa AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 14.5 mm

Weight: 1.63 g

Diameter: 13.6 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st January 2018 - Monday 9th April 2018

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: SCC receipt 019933

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Incomplete

Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: [Urchfont](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SU0556

Four figure Latitude: 51.30310049

Four figure longitude: -1.92966281

1:25K map: SU0556

1:10K map: SU05NE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land