SPOON

Unique ID: CORN-ACECA3

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A fragment of the bowl of a copper-alloy spoon. The fragment is 22.5 mm in length, 21 mm in width, 0.5 mm in thickness and weighs 2.35 g. It consists of approximately two-thirds of the distal end of the bowl of a spoon, which has been torn leaving no trace of its attachment to the stem. The fragment is corroded on both faces with pitting to the inner, concave face. One edge still retains its original curve, despite slight damage, but the opposite edge is more damaged. Originally the bowl would have been an elongated tear shape. Although fragmentary, the bowl closely resembles three Roman spoon bowls found in Cornwall recorded on the database: CORN-1C9334 and CORN-1BE7B3, both at Sancreed, and CORN-C3F239 at Wendron.

Crummy (1983) illustrates a copper alloy spoon bowl excavated from Roman contexts at Colchester with similar proportions and a tear-shaped bowl on page 70, fig.73, no.2012, that appears to have been in production by the first half of the 2nd century.

Bishop (1996) illustrates a similar spoon with an elongated bowl and a flat stem, from Roman Aldborough, on page 13, fig.7, no.25.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN Subperiod from: Early Period from: ROMAN Subperiod to: Late Period to: ROMAN Date from: Circa AD 43 Date to: Circa AD 410

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 22.5 mm Width: 21 mm Thickness: 0.5 mm Weight: 2.35 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 11th May 2018 - Monday 14th May 2018

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Fragment

Spatial metadata

Region: South West (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Cornwall (Unitary Authority)

District: <u>Cornwall</u> (Unitary Authority) Parish or ward: <u>Wendron</u> (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SW6728

Four figure Latitude: 50.10627548 Four figure longitude: -5.259892

1:25K map: SW6728 1:10K map: SW68NE

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Grassland, Heathland

Specific landuse: Disturbed

Crummy, N., 1983 Colchester Archaeological Report 2: The Roman small finds from excavations in

Colchester, 1971-9 Colchester: Colchester Archaeological Trust Ltd p.70, fig.73, no.2012