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Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A Post Medieval tin farthing with copper alloy plug of William and Mary (AD 1689-94) dated AD 1691. Spink (2002:328 no. 3451).

Obverse description: Small busts of the king and queen facing right, he laureated and in armour, with long hair, she draped.

Obverse inscription: GVILLELMVS ET MARIA

Reverse description: Britannia seated left, In exergue, 1691.

Reverse inscription: BRITANNIA

Edge: [NVMMORVM + FAMVLVS + 1691 +]

Dimensions: diameter: 22.23mm; thickness: 2.18mm; weight: 5.37g.

Henry (1879:12) writes "These tin halfpennies and farthings continued to be coined till 1692. Between March 1684 and January 1692, 344 tons of tin money had been issued, amounting to £65,929 15s. 9d, which is very near 21d. per pound weight. Tin being at that time £65 per ton (or nearly 7d. per pound). The dies were engraved by George Bowers, until his death, February, 1690, and afterwards by Henry Harris and James Roettier."

References: Henry J. 1879. English Coins in Copper, Tin and Bronze. London

Spink and Son Ltd, 2002. Coins of England and the United Kingdom London. Spink and Son Ltd

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 1691

Date to: Circa AD 1691

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 2.18 mm

Weight: 5.37 g

Diameter: 22.23 mm

Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

Materials and construction

Primary material: Tin or tin alloy

Secondary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [London](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Greater London Authority](#) (Greater London Authority)

District: [City and County of the City of London](#) (London Borough)

Parish or ward: [Dowgate](#) (London Borough Ward)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TQ3280

Four figure Latitude: 51.5035277

Four figure longitude: -0.09955492

1:25K map: TQ3280

1:10K map: TQ38SW

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Open fresh water

Specific landuse: Running water