SIEVE

Unique ID: CORN-9934B3

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Fragment of a sheet copper alloy sieve or strainer, irregular in plan with all of the edges broken and uneven, but originally part of a circular object. Five complete, circular piercings remain, all between 2 and 2.5 mm in diameter. Remnants of at least four more piercings are visible around the edges and it appears that the piercings radiate form a central area and that their is a curved perimeter. The piercings appear to have all been punched from one face and the opposite inside face has black organic matter on the surface suggesting that it was probably used as part of a kitchen implement or as a drainage filter.

Egan (2005) illustrates a fragment of a similar strainer on page 98, fig.84, no.439, from Fastolf Place, Southwark which is dated from the late 15th to the early 16th century. A similar example was found at Hellesvean, St Ives, excavated from houses dated from the 12th century (Preston-Jones & Rose, CAJ 25, 1986, 146).

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Subperiod from: Late Period from: MEDIEVAL Subperiod to: Early

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1400 Date to: Circa AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Length: 30 mm Width: 28 mm Thickness: 2 mm Weight: 5.3 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 16th June 2018 - Saturday 16th June 2018

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy Manufacture method: Hand made

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>Constantine</u> (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SW7228

Four figure Latitude: 50.10821657 Four figure longitude: -5.1900822

1:25K map: SW7228 1:10K map: SW78NW

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

Preston-Jones, A. and Rose, P., 1986 Medieval Cornwall Cornwall: Cornwall Archaeological Society

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