# **SPINDLE WHORL**

### Unique ID: WMID-FCDA98

Object type certainty: Certain Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead bi-conical spindle whorl dating to the Medieval to Post Medieval period (c. AD 1200 - 1600). The spindle whorl is circular in plan and sub-triangular in cross-section, with sides that slope to a point at the perimeter, and a central, circular perforation. One face is decorated with a pattern of raised dots joined by lines. The other face may have been decorated with raised lines radiating from the central perforation but this face is too worn to fully make out. The object is well worn with a mid-grey patina.

Lead spindle whorls are difficult to date without archaeological context. Bi-conical spindle whorls with raised geometric designs can usually, however, be dated to the Medieval period. Similar examples on the database include: LANCUM-5E0386 and SWYOR-6A5C7C.

The overall dimensions are as follows: object is 26.83mm in diameter, 11.35mm in thickness and 33.87g in weight.

#### **Subsequent actions**

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

### Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1200 Date to: Circa AD 1600

### **Dimensions and weight**

Quantity: 1 Thickness: 11.35 mm Weight: 33.87 g Diameter: 26.83 mm

#### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 12th November 2018

### **Personal details**

This information is restricted for your access level.

#### Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Manufacture method: Cast Decoration style: Geometric Completeness: Complete

## **Spatial metadata**

Region: <u>West Midlands</u> (European Region) County or Unitary authority: <u>Staffordshire</u> (County) District: <u>Stafford</u> (District) Parish or ward: <u>Seighford</u> (Civil Parish)

## **Spatial coordinates**

4 Figure: SJ8922 Four figure Latitude: 52.79544977 Four figure longitude: -2.16457521 1:25K map: SJ8922 1:10K map: SJ82SE 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: Cultivated land