HARNESS MOUNT

Unique ID: SF-F350F8

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete enamelled copper alloy medieval harness mount. The mount its shield-shaped, its outer face decorated with three raised pierced cinquefoils against a red (gules) enamelled field. A square cross-sectioned attachment lug extends from the centre of the reverse of the mount.

Harness pendants, mounts and similar equipment were in use from the twelfth to the fourteenth century, with enamelled and heraldic types like this one predominating in the late thirteenth and fourteenth centuries (Griffiths, 1995,62). This heraldic device is also seen on a mount from Spixworth, Norfolk illustrated by Ashley (2002, 13, fig.13, no.97), who attributes it potentially to the Darcy family of Lincolnshire (ibid., 47).

Length: 33.88mm, width: 28.71mm, thickness: 2.91mm, thickness incl. lug: 9.62mm, weight: 11.10g

Class: heraldic Sub class: stud

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL Period from: MEDIEVAL Period to: MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1250 Date to: Circa AD 1400

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 33.88 mm Width: 28.71 mm Thickness: 2.91 mm Weight: 11.1 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st March 2019

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy Secondary material: Enamel Manufacture method: Cast Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: <u>Eastern</u> (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Suffolk (County)

District: Mid Suffolk (District)
To be known as: Elmswell

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined