

BROOCH

Unique ID: WMID-969C40

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete copper alloy brooch of Colchester derivative, Polden Hill (Mackreth 2011, Part 3, Group 5, flat wing type, Western Group), c.f. Mackreth 2011, 5.b4.Plate 50, of Roman dating (AD 70 - AD 120).

Approximately 50% of the brooch is present consisting of an incomplete bow and wings. The foot, spring and pin are missing, presumed lost in antiquity.

In plan, the brooch is almost T-shaped, and D-shaped in cross section. The bow head is hump-like, and angular (comma shaped) in profile, with cylindrical wings projecting from either side at the top. The base of a rearward facing hook is situated at the head of the bow. The front of the bow has been decorated by two raised ridges. The foot is missing. Each of the wings has a sub circular flat wing cap, with a circular perforation for the spring axis bar. The ends of the wings are damaged, so decorative detail can not be determined. The back of the brooch is undecorated. A cylindrical groove is present along the length of the back, between the two wings. This would have originally held the spring.

The brooch measures 29.0 mm in length, 26.3 mm wide and 11.6 mm thick. It weighs 9.65 grams.

The brooch is a mid to dark green colour, and has an even surface patina.

A similar brooch has been recorded on the PAS database as WMID-4FEC52.

Class: Colchester derivative, Polden Hill (Mackreth 2011, Part 3, Group 5, flat wing type, Western Group) **Sub class:** Mackreth 2011, 5.b4.Plate 50

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Circa AD 70

Date to: Circa AD 120

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 29 mm

Width: 26.3 mm

Thickness: 11.6 mm

Weight: 9.65 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 20th February 2019 - Wednesday 20th February 2019

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

Identified by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [West Midlands](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Staffordshire](#) (County)

District: [Stafford](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Tixall](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ9823

Four figure Latitude: 52.80454957

Four figure longitude: -2.03110817

1:25K map: SJ9823

1:10K map: SJ92SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst out searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land