

BROOCH

Unique ID: YORYM-C2BBAC

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete copper-alloy headstud brooch of Roman date, c.AD 75 - 200. The head of the brooch comprises rectangular wings with a concave reverse which retains a single centrally positioned semi-circular integral lug. No pin or hinge/spring remains. The front of each wing has three vertical grooves resulting in a stepped effect.

An integral rectangular bow extends centrally from the front of the wings, tapering to a worn circular foot knop. The front of the bow is decorated with a central column of three vertically aligned rectangular cells each of which retain yellow enamel. A fourth cell, though an inverted triangle in shape is present below the rectangular cells. Below this is a trefoil of small circular recesses with red enamel.

The apex of the bow bears two integral vertically aligned ring and dot style designs. The central recessed dots retain traces of yellow enamel and the rings appear to retain traces of alternating red and yellow enamel. .

A raised circumferential collar is present where the bow and foot meet and remains of a catchplate project from the reverse of the lower bow.

The metal has a mid-green patina and is worn. The brooch is 57.3mm long, 19.7mm wide at the wings, 7.3mm thick and weighs 16.4g.

The headstud brooch was a native British type, most frequently found in the north of England. Through the PAS new variants of the headstud type are becoming apparent including those with two stud features. Searches through the usual literature failed to provide any parallels for brooches with double headstuds and only eight similar examples are recorded on the Portable Antiquities Scheme database Unique ID's: YORYM-DC269B, YORYM-EDE045, SWYOR-AE1AF1, SWYOR-F32918, IOW-B485B5, YORYM-4EC333, DUR-B31622 and DENO-97782B. They have mainly been identified in the North, but the area of distribution may spread wider as more of this type are recognised.

Find of note status

This is a find of note and has been designated: Regional importance

Class: Double Headstud

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN
Date from: Circa AD 75
Date to: Circa AD 200

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1
Length: 57.3 mm
Width: 19.7 mm
Thickness: 7.3 mm
Weight: 16.4 g

Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

Other reference numbers

Other reference: YMT : E06292

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy
Completeness: Incomplete
Surface Treatment: Inlaid with enamel

Spatial metadata

Region: [Yorkshire and the Humber](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [Leeds](#) (Metropolitan District)
District: [Leeds](#) (Metropolitan District)
Parish or ward: [East Keswick](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SE3544
Four figure Latitude: 53.8910053
Four figure longitude: -1.46894148
1:25K map: SE3544
1:10K map: SE34SE
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
Specific landuse: Character undetermined