

DRESS HOOK

Unique ID: WMID-805E46

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete gilded silver dress hook of sixteenth century AD dating (AD 1500 to AD 1600).

The dress hook has a single sharp pointed hook attached to the reverse of the plate. The hook has an 180 degree bend at the half way point. The plate is rectangular with circular knobs on each corner and two circular knobs on each side in between. There is a row of raised pellets around the edge of the plate, surrounding a central raised rectangular area with a probable enameled area in the centre. The attachment loop is an integral rectangular loop

It measures 22.8 mm in length, 13.7 mm wide and 8.9 mm thick. It weighs 3.2 g.

The dress hook appeared to be predominately silver in nature, with traces of gilding in recesses and in the centre.

A parallel to this dress hook has been found in Read, 2008, p 60, no 186, and is considered to be sixteenth century in date. Therefore as this dress hook has a precious metal content in excess of 10% and is older than 300 years, it should be considered to be potential Treasure under the requirements of the Treasure Act 1996.

Reference:

Read, B. 2008. Hooked Clasps and Eyes. Portcullis Publishing, Langport, Somerset.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Submitted for consideration as Treasure

Treasure details

Treasure case tracking number: 2020T106

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1500

Date to: Circa AD 1600

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 22.8 mm

Width: 13.7 mm

Thickness: 8.9 mm

Weight: 3.3 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Tuesday 21st January 2020 - Tuesday 21st January 2020

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Treasure case number: 2020T106

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver

Secondary material: Gold

Completeness: Complete

Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Wiltshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

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

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SU0744

Four figure Latitude: 51.19517776

Four figure longitude: -1.90120483

1:25K map: SU0744

1:10K map: SU04SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst out searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land