# MACEHEAD

Unique ID: NMS-AE5497

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Incomplete Medieval mace-head, circular (diameter 51mm, high lead content, weight 97.33), heavily cast with four projecting blunt lozengiform pyramids between four half pyramids above (one missing) and below, slightly irregular circular central perforation (approximate diameter 25mm) with remains of collar at base and concave internal moulding, height >35mm. Cf. Discussion in Medieval Archaeology (2005), 334, 336 and 7, fig.5, closest to b. there are at least two other examples from Norfolk, from Burgh with Tuttington (HER 33592) and Saham Toney (HER 34101). A broadly similar 'probably medieval' example (with two rows of pyramidal projections) from Lidgate, Suffolk is illustrated in Evans (1881 The Ancient Bronze Objects, Weapons and Ornaments of Great Britain and Ireland fig.339) and parallels are known from Central Europe and the Balkans, in particular, a number of 13th-15th century examples from Hungary illustrated in Nicolle (1999 Arms and Armour of the Crusading Era 1050-1350, Western Europe and the Crusader States, 317 and 520, nos 861a-c).

### Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL [scope notes | view all attributed records]

Date from: AD 1200

Date to: AD 1500

#### Dimensions and weight

Length: 35 MM

Weight: 97.33 G

Diameter: 51 MM

Quantity: 1

### Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st September 2006

