

APPENDIX 5: ASSESSMENT OF COINS

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Two coins were recovered from ARC SSR 99 in Zone 2. A copper alloy coin of Vespasian (AD 69-79) came from [13] and a possible Iron Age coin came from [18].
- 1.2 The coins were recovered by hand excavation.

Methodology

- 1.3 The coins have been accessioned using the Museum of London system.
- 1.4 The records have been entered into the Oracle relational database.
- 1.5 No sampling of the coins was undertaken.

Quantifications

Table 20: Assessment of Coins

Context	Special Number	Count	Period	Comments
13	1	1	RO	Copper alloy; Vespasian AD 69-79; possible cast copy/'light weight' forgery 2nd century?
18	2	1	IA?	Copper alloy; odd Iron Age coin or object fragment?

Provenance

- 1.6 Both of the coins came from a ditch, from contexts that also produced Roman pottery dating to the mid- to late 1st century AD.

Conservation

- 1.7 Both of the coins have been X-rayed and conserved.
- 1.8 Both of the coins are to be retained.

Comparative material

- 1.9 There is little scope for comparative work except possibly in trying to identify the possible Iron Age coin further.

Potential for further work

- 1.10 The coins cannot assist the Landscape Zones Aims or the Fieldwork Event Aims but are of use for dating purposes.
- 1.11 The only further work required is to try and identify the possible Iron Age coin.

2. Bibliography

None

