

## K125 Condition Report

**Conservation Started:** 23/05/12

**Conservation Finished:** 24/05/12

**Conservator:** Deborah Magnoler

**Time Taken:**

Including digital photography, report, conservation and packing.

**Dimensions:** (L) 73mm; (H) 6mm; (Th. edge) 1mm

**Weight before:** 4.78g

**Weight after:** 3.97g

**X-ray:** L82

**Catalogue number:** 137

### **Digital photography:**

Taken with a Nikon Coolpix 4500 digital camera, under daylight or bulbs and Meiji Techno RZ Stereo microscope with an Infinity 1 camera (with analyses capture software) and fibre optic lights, 7-75x magnification. Taken before, during and after.

### **Annotation on any of the storage bags or boxes:**

**Description:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

Gold strip, may originally have been a collar. Decorated with herring-bone filigree on a plain backing. A joint is visible in the central area of the strip.

### **Associated Objects:**

**Pre-Conservation Condition:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

Partially covered in soil. broken and twisted. The strands of filigree have lifted at the ends and hang dangerously. Some red and black discolouration is visible on the underside. There are no obvious scratches or recent damage.

**Treatment:** Carried out using a Meiji stereo microscope

**Purpose:** Display

**Aim:** To prepare the item for exhibition at PMAG – no cleaning required

The paper K number was adhered to the interior surface with HMG brand Paraloid B72 (ethyl methacrylate copolymer) from the tube, applied with a fine paint brush.

A new storage box padded with white polyethylene foam was constructed to house the object. A strip of Tyvek (spun bound polyethylene fibres) was used as a cushion for the object and to help lift it out of the foam. **This object should preferably be displayed in its box to minimise risk of breakage by handling**

**Post-Conservation Condition/Findings:** see pre-conservation condition

**Key Features:** herringbone filigree decoration

**Analysis Undertaken:**

No XRF was undertaken due to the presence of soil which may hinder readings. XRF to be performed if & when this object is cleaned.