Gold Filigree Pommel Cap – K1278

Conservation Started: Unknown Conservation Finished: 24.09.2014 Conservator: Unknown, Kayleigh Fuller

Time Taken: Unknown, 1 hour

Including digital photography, report, conservation and packing.

Dimensions: (L) 32.5mm (W) 13mm (H) 18mm (Th. edge) 1mm

Weight before: unknown

Weight after: 7.81g X-ray plate: L2/L9 Catalogue number: 21

Digital photography:

Taken with a Nikon Coolpix 4500 digital camera, under fibre optic lights. Taken before and after.

Annotation on any of the storage bags or boxes: individual boxes combined

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

Cast Gold Pommel Cap with beaded wire filigree knot design on one face. Top sides have twisted wire with a plait design. One side has a top border with a two wire circle design and beaded ball. It has the same design in the bottom within a semi-circle. This is bounded by further plait semi circles in between.

Associated Objects

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

Item had heavy accretions of soil from before photos without condition report after. Item is squashed in the middle which distorts the shape. Ends have broken sheet joins.

17/06/2015- Accretions of soil on internal and surface of item.

Treatment: Carried out using a Meiji stereo microscope

No record of prior cleaning treatment

The fragments were cleaned a little further with IMS in water and thorn in a pin vice. The object was repacked in a crystal box, supported in Plastazote foam.

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Item was boxed with K290, K903+K1204

Purpose: Study

Aim: Enable study of overall shape, make grouping permanent

Materials: natural thorn, IMS, cotton wool swabs, white Plastazote (polyethylene foam)

Post-Conservation Condition/Findings:

Key Features:

• Gold filigree beaded wire work

Twisted wire

Samples: Unknown