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Roman Plate Brooch*

Title: Roman Plate Brooch***Date Of Find:** 17 February 2007**Finder:** Bill Wyman**Description:** Zoomorphic Lion Brooch**Age Of Find:** 100-250 AD**Material:** Cu-alloy**Site:** Roman village field, Suffolk**Size:** 36.5mm long x 17mm wide**Condition:** Worn & damaged**Ref No:** 070217d**Comments:****Museum Note:** Find for Portable Antiquities Scheme: SF-404EC6

Copper alloy flat enamelled zoomorphic brooch, probably a lion. Missing pin, damaged catchplate & legs, areas of corrosion. The pin was sprung 93-turns) on a bar between 2 lugs 5mm apart. The animal has a rounded head with open mouth & excised areas, one of which probably leads into an eye shape, but it is not clear whether there was any enamel on the head. The main body area is separated from the head by a straight line (slightly suggestive of a collar?) from which lines project (obscured by corrosion) into the first of 2 enamelled cells, in which no enamel survives. The second cell contains traces of blue enamel & is partially divided by a