

## **Coronavirus: important advice on reporting public finds, including potential Treasure, during the coming period**

Under the Treasure Act 1996, it is a legal obligation for the finder to report potential Treasure. For all new finds of potential Treasure, finders should notify Amgueddfa Cymru - National Museum Wales (AC-NMW) by emailing Adam Gwilt, or one of PAS Cymru Finds Officers (email addresses below), please provide findspot, landowner details and appropriate images. AC-NMW or PAS Cymru staff will then respond with guidance. The necessary precautions mean there is likely to be delays in the reporting and the subsequent Treasure process. We thank finders, landowners, occupiers and everyone involved in the process for their understanding, patience and cooperation during this time.

Portable Antiquities Scheme staff are no longer able to meet finders in person or undertake outreach work until further notice. Please contact PAS by email on the addresses below for further advice. We ask that you retain your non-Treasure finds for full recording at a later date. Please ensure that you keep detailed records of the findspot in accordance with the [Code of Practice for Responsible Metal-Detecting in England and Wales](#).

Following the latest government social distancing guidance, advising everyone to stay at home to save lives and protect the NHS, please do not metal detect during the current situation. All metal-detecting rallies should have been cancelled.

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