

Saving the Silverdale Hoard for Lancashire

Lancashire County Council Museums Service wished to acquire the Viking Silverdale Hoard. This was made up of over 200 pieces of jewellery, coins and hack silver – the third largest Viking hoard ever to be found in Britain.

Image



The Silverdale Hoard

Region

North West

Grant awarded

£45,000

Year awarded

2013

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Known as the Silverdale Hoard, the collection is made up of more than 200 items believed to date from around 900 AD. The pieces include beautifully crafted jewellery together with coins from several Viking kingdoms of Britain, from Europe and even Arabia.

Also included are 141 fragments of arm-rings and ingots which had been chopped into smaller pieces. These are known as hacksilver, which the Vikings used as

money.