

*Hololepta plana* (Sulzer, 1776) (Histeridae) under bark of fallen Poplar (*Populus* sp.) branches, 3/11/2023 at Ham Lands South, Richmond, Surrey, VC17 (TQ 163721). First recorded in the UK in 2009 and has since spread widely in Southeast England. The beetle has a very flattened form as seen in the side profile shown below. Typical habitat pictures are also shown.





Fallen Poplar branches with bark still attached,



Beetles found amongst fibres between the bark and the wood often with Dipteran larvae

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