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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA25 Pawnee, G-BNZV

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental TSIO-360-FBI piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1974

Date and Time (UTC): 3 September 1988 at 1600 hrs

Location: Currock Hill Airfield, Northumberland

Type of Flight: Private (recreational)

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Minor damage to propeller and aircraft flaps

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 65 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 510 hours (of which 25 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was taxiing from the aerotow strip to the hangar after the last flight of the day. Its path took it close to and parallel to a winch cable. Whilst the aircraft was in a dip in the ground and not visible to the winch launch area a glider launch was initiated. The winch cable rose fouling the propeller and the underside of the left wing.