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Aircraft Type and Registration: Beech C23, G-BPYG

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-360-A4K piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1979

Date and Time (UTC): 2 September 1989 at 1106 hrs

Location: Stapleford Aerodrome, Essex

Type of Flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to nosegear leg, propeller and engine mounting

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 57 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 254 hours (of which 3 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

After a normal approach to runway 04 in a wind of 350°/10-12 kt, the aircraft bounced on landing. On the second touchdown the nose landing gear collapsed. The pilot attributed the accident to excess speed on touchdown, a steep downhill runway and his own lack of experience on type.