

## Piper PA-18-150 (Modified), G-BJCI

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Piper PA-18-150 (Modified), G-BJCI

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-360-C2A piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1958

**Date & Time (UTC):** 12 April 1998 at 1150 hrs

**Location:** Milfield, Northumberland

**Type of Flight:** Private (Glider Towing)

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 - Passengers - None

**Injuries:** Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

**Nature of Damage:** Damage to propeller and bottom cowling

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence with Instrument Rating

**Commander's Age:** 57 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 14,451 hours (of which 40 were on type)  
Last 90 days - 16 hours  
Last 28 days - 4 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

After landing, during aerotow operations, the aircraft was carrying out a taxiing turn to the right. At a point across the wind the aircraft tipped onto its nose. The surface wind was reported locally as north north west at 20 kt with occasional gusts. The pilot assessed the probable cause of the accident as a strong gust of wind lifting the tail.