

## Cessna U206G, G-BSUE, 21 May 2001 at 1920 hrs

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Cessna U206G, G-BSUE  
**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Continental Motors IO-520-F12 piston engine  
**Year of Manufacture:** 1978  
**Date & Time (UTC):** 21 May 2001 at 1920 hrs  
**Location:** Hollow Lane Farm, Thurston, Suffolk  
**Type of Flight:** Private  
**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1  
**Injuries:** Crew - None - Passengers - None  
**Nature of Damage:** Substantial damage to propeller, and forward airframe  
**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence  
**Commander's Age:** 67 years  
**Commander's Flying Experience:** 1,726 hours (of which 630 were on type)  
Last 90 days - 6 hours  
Last 28 days - 3 hours  
**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The strip at Hollow Lane Farm is 430 metres long and the grass surface was dry. The weather was CAVOK and, when the aircraft arrived overhead, the surface wind appeared to be variable at about 5 kt. The pilot reported that the approach to Runway 27 was normal, and the aircraft passed over medium height trees about 200 yards before the threshold. Touch down was about a third of the way into the runway and the pilot "braked hard" but the aircraft did not seem to slow as expected. He realised that it was too late to go around and "began intense 'on/off' braking". The aircraft left the runway to the right and struck the boundary hedge at 15 to 20 mph. When it came to rest the pilot carried out the shut down checks and both occupants, who were wearing lap and diagonal upper torso restraint, escaped without injury.

After he had vacated the aircraft, the pilot noticed that the windsock was indicating a tailwind of about 5 kt for Runway 27.