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**Aircraft type and registration:** Cessna 206 G-UKNO (light single engine fixed wing aircraft)

**Year of Manufacture:** 1968

**Date and time (GMT):** 25 April 1985 at 0835 hrs

**Location:** In a field near Stragglethorpe, Notts

**Type of flight:** Private (business)

**Persons on board:** Crew — 1                      Passengers — None

**Injuries:** Crew — None                      Passengers — None

**Nature of damage:** Fuselage broken aft of cabin. Severe damage to wings, empennage, propeller, nosecowl, and nosegear

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 44 years

**Commander's total flying experience:** 84 hours (of which 12 were on type)

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

On his pre-flight inspection the pilot estimated, by dipping the tank, that there was adequate fuel for 45 minutes flight in the left tank and for 30 minutes flight in the right tank. After taxiing on the right tank, the pilot switched to the left tank to take-off for a flight to Nottingham airport (estimated flight time 10 minutes).

At 1500 ft in level flight the engine stopped without any prior misfiring or uneven running. A forced landing was carried out in a ploughed field. The nosewheel collapsed and the aircraft tipped over onto its back.

The engine is to be the subject of a local engineering investigation.