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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA-28-140, G-BEFF

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-320-E2A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1973

Date and Time (UTC): 12 January 1991 at 1500 hrs

Location: Framlingham, Suffolk

Type of flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Minor damage to main landing gear

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 36 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 481 hours (of which 88 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot reports that whilst approaching to land on runway 24 he temporarily lost sight of the runway due to the setting sun. The aircraft's main landing gear contacted a ridge of earth at the edge of a ploughed field, and some five metres short of the threshold. The aircraft then landed normally having sustained minor damage to the main landing gear.