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Aircraft Type and Registration: Slingsby T67B, G-BLTV

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-N2A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1985

Date and Time (UTC): 14 September 1990 at 1046 hrs

Location: Cranfield Airport, Bedfordshire

Type of Flight: Private (training)

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to nose landing gear and propeller

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 24 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 35 hours (all of which were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the supervising instructor

The aircraft flew a normal approach with landing flap for a touch and go landing on runway 04. The surface wind was 360°/5 knots. On touchdown the aircraft bounced and came to rest on its nose and mainwheels. After vacating the aircraft the pilot discovered that the nosewheel had separated from the aircraft on the first contact with the ground. Subsequent examination of the fractured nose oleo leg revealed no fault in manufacture. It was not known whether the oleo leg had suffered damage on that landing or on some previous occasion.