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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA-34-200T Seneca II, G-BSUW
No & Type of Engines: 2 Continental TSIO-360-EB1 piston engines
Year of Manufacture: 1977
Date & Time (UTC): 8 October 1994 at 1555 hrs
Location: Wickenby Airfield, Lincolnshire
Type of Flight: Private
Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage: Burst mainwheel tyres and one propeller blade chipped
Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence with Instructor Rating
Commander's Age: 57 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 14,530 hours (of which 215 were on type)
Last 90 days - 210 hours
Last 28 days - 80 hours
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The flight from Manston to Wickenby, Lincoln, was uneventful and the forecast weather for the destination was: '340°/5 kt, 10 km with no significant cloud'. The into wind runway at Wickenby was Runway 34, which is asphalt and provides an LDA of 500 metres.

The AFISO states that, when the pilot called joining the circuit, he informed him that flying had ceased because of 200 to 300 metre visibility. Prior to the aircraft calling 'Finals', he offered the alternative Runway 21, as this is equipped with threshold and runway lights with a 3.5° Low Intensity Two colour Approach System (LITAS). This offer was not accepted and, when the AFISO saw the aircraft, still airborne, overfly the intersection of the two runways (about one third down Runway 34) he twice advised "Go-around".

The pilot states that, upon arrival at Wickenby the wind was from 330° at less than 5 kt, favouring Runway 34. Having made a standard overhead join into the circuit, he had visual contact with the runway throughout his circuit and landing. He further states that he did not receive either the information concerning the visibility nor the suggestions to go-around.

The aircraft touched down 150 metres from the end of the runway and ran another 50 metres into the field beyond it.