

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Tecnam P2002-RG Sierra, G-CFSB	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912 ULS piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2010 (Serial no: LAA 333A-14864)	
Date & Time (UTC):	15 July 2012 at 1535 hrs	
Location:	West Wales (Aberporth) Airport	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 2	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to propeller and nose leg support strut	
Commander's Licence:	National Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	68 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	699 hours (of which 165 were on type) Last 90 days - 9 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot taxied the aircraft from the circular turning area onto the grass at the end of the asphalt runway in order to complete his final takeoff checks. Whilst taxiing back onto the side of the runway for takeoff, the aircraft encountered a concrete drainage channel

which was obscured from view by grass, such that the transition from grass to runway had appeared level. The nosewheel struck the drainage channel and collapsed, causing the propeller to strike the surface.