

Cessna F177RG, G-AYPG

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna F177RG, G-AYPG

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming IO-360-A1B6 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1971

Date & Time (UTC): 27 June 2000 at 1340 hrs

Location: Haverfordwest Aerodrome, Dyfed

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Extensive damage

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 51 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 300 hours (of which 82 were on type)
Last 90 days - 3 hours
Last 28 days - 1 hour

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was making an approach to land on Runway 09 after a short local flight. Approaching the runway threshold, the pilot noted that the landing gear was not down. He selected the landing gear down but underestimated the time taken to complete the deployment cycle. The aircraft touched down before the landing gear was locked down and the aircraft settled onto its lower fuselage before coming to a halt on the runway.

The attending Airfield Fire Service reported that there was fuel leakage from the aircraft and that the left side door had jammed, necessitating the pilot to vacate the aircraft via the right side passenger door.