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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Beech A23-19, G-DJHB
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-320-E2C piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1967
Date & Time (UTC):	17 November 1994 at 1415 hrs
Location:	Nayland Airfield, Suffolk
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Nose landing gear failed at engine bearer attachment point; engine shock loaded; propeller damaged
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence with IMC Rating
Commander's Age:	71 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	150 hours (of which 18 hours were on type) Last 90 days - 15 hours Last 28 days - 3 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

On a fine day in light wind conditions the pilot inadvertently allowed the airspeed to reduce on short final approach. During the ensuing heavy landing on grass, the nosewheel collapsed and the propeller struck the ground.