

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Cessna P120N, N210UK	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Continental TS10-520-P piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1978	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	31 May 2017 at 1915 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Kilfinichen, Isle of Mull, Argyll and Bute	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Wingtip, nose gear and doors, propeller, spinner and lower cowling	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	49 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	1,650 hours (of which 30 were on type) Last 90 days - 38 hours Last 28 days - 21 hours	

The aircraft took off from Wellesbourne Mountford for a flight to a private airstrip on the Isle of Mull in Scotland. The destination grass runway had a pronounced upslope of 5° with which the pilot was familiar. The pilot described a normal approach and a touchdown in a three-point attitude which was "not particularly hard." Approximately 100 m from touchdown, the nose landing gear collapsed and detached. The propeller contacted the ground, followed by the left wingtip and the aircraft came to a halt. The pilot was wearing a lap and diagonal harness and was uninjured.

Further examination revealed that the nose landing gear had failed at the fork, leading to detachment of the nosewheel and then the nose gear attachments. The grass runway was described as soft in places and the pilot did not consider that this was a particularly hard landing. The aircraft was not examined by the AAIB and the reason for the failure of the fork is unknown.