

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Pegasus Quik, G-FFIT	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Rotax 912-UL piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	2007 (Serial no: 8238)	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	10 August 2017 at 1200 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Maypole Airfield, Kent	
<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>	Front forks buckled, fibreglass pod	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	National Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	53 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	160 hours (of which 129 were on type) Last 90 days - 12 hours Last 28 days - 6 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

After passing over some trees and buildings on the approach to Runway 02, the pilot described encountering "dirty air" and "lost lift". This led to an increased rate of descent and a hard landing on the main landing gear, causing the aircraft to bounce. The subsequent landing was "slightly nose first" and, during taxi, the nosewheel forks collapsed and the fibreglass pod impacted the ground.

The pilot was uninjured and considered that a go-around would have been an appropriate decision once he noticed the high rate of descent near to the ground.