## **ACCIDENT**

Aircraft Type and Registration: Rans S6-ES, G-YTLY

No & Type of Engines: 1 Jabiru 2200A piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 2011 (Serial no: LAA 204-14925)

**Date & Time (UTC):** 26 April 2020 at 1530 hrs

**Location:** Longside Airfield, Glendaveny, Peterhead

Aberdeenshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to nosewheel leg, propeller and

cockpit structure

Commander's Licence: National Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 72 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 260 hours (of which 183 were on type)

Last 90 days - 8 hours Last 28 days - 0 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the

pilot

The pilot reported that he planned to carry out a local flight from Longside Airfield near Aberdeen. He took off in a light westerly wind using Runway 28 and at 1,000 ft encountered turbulence. He decided not to continue with the flight and returned to the airfield; however, by this time the surface wind conditions had changed making Runway 10 more suitable for landing.

The pilot said he encountered no difficulty during the approach, with the speed and attitude appearing normal. However, as he flared the aircraft, it descended rapidly, landed hard and bounced before coming to a standstill. The impact broke the nosewheel leg, which collapsed and resulted in damage to the cockpit structure and propeller.