**ACCIDENT** 

Aircraft Type and Registration: EV-97 TeamEurostar UK, G-CIKT

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax 912-UL piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 2014 (Serial no: 2014-1000)

Date & Time (UTC): 8 August 2020 at 1600 hrs

**Location:** Peterborough/Conington Airport, Cambridgeshire

Type of Flight: Training

Persons on Board: Crew - 2 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Wing leading edges damaged

Commander's Licence: National Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 50 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 461 hours (of which 319 were on type)

Last 90 days - 10 hours Last 28 days - 9 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the

pilot

A student was undertaking a conversion lesson onto the EV-97 TeamEurostar. The wind was 17 kt from 050° with "strong and sharp" gusts reported. It was agreed during the pre-flight briefing that the instructor would take control on the base leg and land the aircraft.

The instructor reported that as the aircraft was about to touchdown on Runway 010, there was a strong gust of wind and it 'ballooned' before landing heavily. The aircraft bounced and drifted to the right as the instructor initiated a go-around. However, the aircraft touched down in long grass and continued its motion until it struck a fence.

The instructor believed that nearby trees affected the strong wind causing it to be gusty. The crosswind component, as the aircraft touched down, was near the aircraft's maximum operational limit of 16 kt.