ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:
No & Type of Engines:
Year of Manufacture:
Date & Time (UTC):
Location:
Type of Flight:
Persons on Board:
Injuries:
Nature of Damage:
Commander's Licence:
Commander's Age:
Commander's Flying Experience:

Information Source:

Robinson R22 Beta, G-IONE 1 Lycoming O-360-J2A piston engine 2005 12 November 2005 at 1620 hrs Private landing site at East Kilbride, Scotland Private Crew - 1 Passengers - None Crew - None Passengers - N/A Damaged beyond economic repair Private Pilot's Licence 43 years 96 hours (all on type) Last 90 days - 8 hours Last 28 days - 8 hours

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was prepared for takeoff, whilst positioned directly into the surface wind of 300° at 10 kt, on a private tarmacadam landing site. After receiving a clearance from Glasgow Approach to depart for a local flight, the pilot lifted the aircraft into the hover. As he stabilised the helicopter in the hover the pilot felt uncomfortable in what he perceived to be a crosswind component from the left. He decided to lower the helicopter back onto the ground but in doing so allowed some roll to develop and landed on the right hand skid. The roll continued and the aircraft came to rest on its right hand side. The pilot, who was uninjured, was able to vacate the aircraft through the normal exit.

Adjacent to the landing site, and directly upwind at the time of the accident, are some large storage sheds that may have generated an unexpected crosswind component.