No: 5/90

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Category: 1b

Aircraft Type

and Registration:

Beech King Air C90, G-BKFY

No & Type of Engines:

2 Pratt and Whitney PT6A-21 turboprop engines

Year of Manufacture:

1982

Date and Time (UTC):

22 March 1990 at 1540 hrs

Location:

Meysey Hampton Airstrip, Gloucestershire

Type of Flight:

Private

Persons on Board:

Crew - 1

Passengers - None

Injuries:

Crew - None

Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage:

Extensive damage to the engines, propellers, fuselage and wings; all 3

landing gears detached

Commander's Licence

Private Pilot's Licence with Instrument rating

Commander's Age:

69 years

Commander's Total

Flying Experience:

5,900 hours (of which over 1,100 were on type)

Information Source:

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and AAIB

enquiries

The pilot was well practised at landing at this private strip in this aircraft. A normal approach and landing was carried out, but touchdown occurred well down the strip. On selection of reverse thrust, the pilot felt that the system had not functioned. The pilot applied braking and attempted to ground-loop the aircraft in order to avoid a road that crossed the end of the strip. The aircraft came to rest on the roadway.

Due to the extensive damage to the aircraft an engineering examination of the reverse thrust system was not carried out.