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Aircraft Type and Registration: Viking Dragonfly, G-BKPD
No & Type of Engines: 1 Volkswagen 1834 piston engine
Year of Manufacture: 1985
Date & Time (UTC): 3 June 1991 at 1830 hrs
Location: Near Hundon, Suffolk
Type of Flight: Private
Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage: Substantial damage to airframe and engine
Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age: 37 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 133 hours (of which 21 were on type)
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was on a local flight from a private airstrip where the grass runway was orientated 27/09 and measured 850 metres by 30 metres. The weather was cloudy, main base above 2000 feet with good visibility. The surface wind was not recorded. The pilot reports that as he crossed the runway 27 threshold, what seemed like a normal landing went wrong. The aircraft sank rapidly and although power was increased, he was unable to prevent a heavy touch down. The right wing contacted the ground and the aircraft yawed out of control until it was stopped by contact with a boundary hedge on the north of the airstrip. The pilot, who had been wearing a full upper torso restraint harness, vacated the aircraft without injury.