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Two men dead in light plane crash south-west of Brisbane

Two men have died in a light plane crash in the Scenic Rim, south-west of Brisbane.

The crash happened on a turf farm off Brookland Road at Allenview near Jimboomba just before 10:00am.

The men are believed to be an instructor and a trainee.

Emergency crews are on the scene.



Photo: Investigations are underway into the fatal training flight. (ABC News: Meghna Bali)

The single-engine plane crash landed on the turf farm and the nose of the plane has been significantly damaged.

Police Inspector Gary Brown said a witness saw the plane flying over the farm before it crashed.

"It's gone into a bit of a spiral and crashed into the middle of the turf farm," he said.

He said people from nearby properties rushed to the crash site to help.

Farm manager Darryl Pearce said he received a panicked call from two of his workers who were picking weeds when the aircraft came down.

"Got down there, luckily the plane wasn't on fire but getting closer to it. [I] ran over to see what we could do for the people. It landed upright," he said.

"But it was pretty obvious there was nothing we could do for the two people on board."



Photo: The single-engine plane crash landed on the turf farm. (ABC News)

The plane is a Diamond DA 40, a four-seater aircraft, manufactured in 2006 and is owned by Aircrew Training and Support based at Springfield.

The Springfield Land Corporation said it was a Chinese-operated flying school which had rented premises in the education precinct for the last 18 months.

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority said the plane was operated by a Queensland aviation organisation.

The cause of the crash is unknown at this stage and a report will be prepared for the coroner.

The Australian Transport Safety Bureau has investigators on sit

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