5j E/12/0052/A – The erection of two dwellinghouses with a roof ridge height which exceeds that granted planning permission under planning reference 3/09/1370/FP, at Plots 13 and 14, Linden Homes Development, Land south of Gravelly Lane, Braughing, (now also known as 1 and 2 Totts Cottages, Pound Close, Braughing), SG11 2BH

Parish: BRAUGHING

Ward: BRAUGHING

RECOMMENDATION:

That Members confirm the view that it is not expedient to issue and serve a planning enforcement notice in respect of the breach of planning control relating to the increased height of the two dwelling houses.

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1.0 Background:

- 1.1 Members will recall that this matter was initially reported to their meeting of 18th April 2012. At that time the developers indicated, as a late representation, that a planning application seeking to regularise the development would be submitted within 14 days of the meeting and the matter was deferred.
- 1.2 The enforcement officer then sent e-mails to the developers' planning agent on three separate occasions requesting a time scale for the proposed planning application. However no reply to, or acknowledgement of, those communications was forthcoming and no planning application received by the Council.
- 1.3 The matter was then reported to the meeting on 18th July 2012. At that meeting it was reported to Members that the developer, once again, anticipated submitting a retrospective planning application seeking to regularise the unauthorised development later that week.
- 1.4 The enforcement officer has sent an e-mail to the developers' planning agent on 23rd July 2012 and a further message to the agent and to the developer himself on 17th August 2012 requesting a time scale for their proposed planning application. However no planning application has been received by the Council and the officer has not received a reply to, or an acknowledgement of, those communications from either party.

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- 1.5 There has been no other material change in considerations with regard to the site and officers' recommendation with regard to this matter remains unchanged.
- 1.6 A copy of the original report to the April committee is attached to this report as Essential Reference Paper A.