# Supplementary Questions requiring written responses from the Assistant Director of Finance (Audit) from Audit Committee Meeting held on Thursday 29 July 2021

**Agenda item 6.**    **Norfolk Audit Services Quarterly Report ending 30 June 2021.**

Question from extract of minutes item 6.2 bullet point 3

The third column of the table at Appendix A to the report referred to the number of audit days set aside for each of the proposed audits. The heading for the columns in the table would be confirmed by the Assistant Director of Finance (Audit) with Cllrs after the meeting

Response from the Assistant Director of Finance (Audit)

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The headings are as follows:

Column 1 - Audit Title
Column 2 – Risk Type
Column 3 – Audit Days in the Plan
Column 4 – Objective of the audit work
Column 5 – Together, for Norfolk priority

**Agenda item 9**    **Quarterly Risk Management Report**

Question from extract of minutes item 9.3.2

Whilst it was noted that risks concerning **Covid 19 (RM032a)** were ongoing, the issue of any impact of the so called "*pingdemic*" was questioned. To date no known issues had arisen due to any isolating staff being absent, but the Assistant Director of Governance (Audit) indicated he would check and report back to members directly.

Response from the Assistant Director of Finance (Audit)

Risk Management Report

NCC like many council services and businesses are experiencing increasing numbers of staff who are currently isolating after being contacted by NHS Test and Trace. All frontline services have clear business continuity plans which we will implement where necessary to continue to deliver services. We have also agreed a process with the Director for Public Health regarding critical services such as Health and social care services that are able to release staff that have been identified as a close contact to return to work under very exceptional cases in a way that ensures services are safely maintained in case of further disruption to staffing levels.