Reviewer’s report

Title: Breastfeeding attitudes of Finnish mothers and fathers during pregnancy

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Minor essential revisions

1. Page 5, (The breastfeeding rates decrease rapidly...)
This reference, which appears to include small amounts of water, in the definition of EBF is not something I can read. If Finland public health officials define EBF to include small amounts of water, then it would be clearer to say “which in Finland means that the child receives...”). This is important, because your definition of EBF is not a standard definition.

2. Page 8, paragraph describing Table 1
Recommend moving this to the results section.

3. Page 9 (last 5 lines) and throughout text where you use "primiparas" and "multiparas"
These are not standard uses of these terms. Recommend that you use something like "pregnant nulliparous" to describe women who had no children. Those with children could be described as "women with children" or something like that. Were all survey data collected prior to delivery? Your abstract would be misunderstood if you do not clarify and use the standard terms.

4. Page 11
Which allowed specific information to be inferred” is too vague. Please add 1-2 sentences highlighting the main findings.

5. Table 1
Please insert a footnote indicating that the alpha refers to the Cronbach’s alpha.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.
Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.