Reviewer’s report

Title: Suicidal ideation and associated factors among school-going adolescents in rural Uganda

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Reviewer: Esben Agerbo

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General
Still a clear and short paper

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

The authors should have been more systematic when amending errors in table 1. Neither the percentages nor the counts in the rows labelled “Worry” and “Loneliness” can be correct. The total percentage should be in-between the two percentages for males and females; more than 6500 out of 1506 have worries. In rows labelled ‘drinking’, the ‘no-row’ seems okay, as 1071=553+518, but there is an error in the ‘yes-row’, as 380<<200+501. I only checked table 1 very superficial, but please be less careless when you check it.

I am curious to know whether the weighting factor makes any difference, perhaps the authors could add a comment.

I would have expected that the authors had used a sandwich or robust covariance estimator – perhaps the authors could add a reference.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable
**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.