Reviewer's report

Title: Mapping service activity: the example of childhood obesity schemes in England

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Authors should mention

1) Keywords used for searching the schemes on internet search engines.

2) Which schemes were identified by internet search engines and which by other methods?

3) How many schemes were reviewed and how many were excluded?

4) Authors didn’t mention the names of the key schemes and their salient features which can be described in a table containing the coverage area(s), aims and objectives of the scheme, setting (community or school based), source of funding, duration of scheme, cost of participation and eligibility criteria. It would be more interesting to have information on the schemes prevailing in low socio economic areas and in ethnic communities that are more prone to develop obesity.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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.