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Dear Editor/s,
Below is a point by point description of amendments to the manuscript as requested.

1. Details of ethics approval and compliance with Helskinki Declaration (see page 16).

2. Additions and amendments to the Methods section to ensure compliance with the RATS guidelines for qualitative research, specifically:
   - Pages 9-11: Clear statement of research question and clarification of case study design for applied policy research with additional details of selection and process;
   - Page 13: Details added re sampling strategy and transparency;
   - Page 14: Details added describing qualitative methods and their appropriateness for research question;
   - Pages 14-15: Details added re recruitment and data collection process for each study component and further clarification of sources on which paper draws;
• Page 16: Details provided re process of informed consent and ethics approval as in 1. above;

• Pages 16-17: Details added re analytic approach including coding methods and reliability check to demonstrate soundness and rigour; details re use of quotations from data in Results and Discussion section;

• Page 35: Details added re limitations of study approach in Discussion section.

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