Reviewer’s report

Title: Legal rights of client councils and their role in policy of long-term care organisations in the Netherlands

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Reviewer: Nanako Tamiya

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In general terms the manuscript has improved greatly and my main concerns have been addressed properly. My final comments are merely discretionary

Minor Essential Revisions
In background, first paragraph, a comma is missing between budget and the word etc.

Background, third paragraph, the letter “N” is missing in “to have a additional…”

Discretionary Revisions
In the abstract, conclusions, you may remove the parentheses from (rather).

Background, second paragraph. Despite there is no difference in meaning, the contraction “cannot” is by far more common than “can not” unless you want to be emphatic in this case.

Discussion, fourth paragraph, you may add “The fact” in front of “that not many councils are…” to improve readability.

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.