Reviewer's report

**Title:** Re-organisation of oesophago-gastric cancer care in England: progress and remaining challenges

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1.- The questionnaires should be made available in the Internet, (in a specific page) not on request. Please upload them. Otherwise add them as an appendix. If the supplementary files contain these questionnaires please state that in your manuscript line 7, paragraph 1, page 4. Core information regarding an specific article should be made readily available.

2.- There should be more elaboration on the fact (in the methods section) that questionnaires are different, and in discussion the reasons for not applying the same questionnaires explained. Please rationalize that if questionnaires were the same (since trusts answers would surely reflect more accurately the reality) there would be less reason for skepticism on availability of staging studies as Mr Bachman (reviewer 1) states.

3.- Definitely your health organization regarding cancer care must be explained with the graph requested and actual response rates stated. Please take in mind that this is an international journal and readers could get discouraged to evaluate and analyze your paper if the issues raised above are not addressed.

**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.