Reviewer’s report

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The authors have done a commendable job in replying to the comments. My only substantive comment is that the argument that the higher association with heat and cardiovascular disease in Lisbon is due to the urban heat island effect is not convincing on a first glance (page 10), since the implication is misclassification of exposure which it is not clear would be differential according to disease status. The authors may wish to think about this further.

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I declare that I have no competing interests