Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Ruth Martis

Reviewer's report:

Thank you for the authors response to my review. The responses were appropriate and well thought through. Thank you for taking the time to address each issue, it assisted in clarification of a number of points.

Under the major compulsory revision point 1, the authors respond explaining 'that consumer interviews were not covered by our ethics approval'. Could you please add this in the article where appropriate. It would show the reader that the researchers were actually addressing consumer involvement but it just was not possible.

One further comment:
In the abstract under conclusion it is stated that the barriers 'are insurmountable'. I would suggest to word it as 'seem insurmountable'. When referring to the barriers presented in the text it appears that most barriers could be overcome.

Thank you

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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.