Reviewer's report

Title: Understanding the impact of visual arts interventions for people living with dementia: A realist review protocol

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Reviewer: Geoff Wong

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Thank you for asking me to review this manuscript. I read the protocol with interest and the project sounds interesting and hopefully will yield understanding that will (in the long term) benefit patients.

I appreciate that this is a funded project that has been through peer-review. The comments I have made are either to clarify points or suggestions on how the manuscript might be improved. These are made as 'pop-up' comments in the main manuscript and supplementary files. I hope these are of use to you and I look forward to reading your revised manuscript.

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.