Reviewer’s report

Title: Weight change following breast cancer: evidence from a prospective, population-based, breast cancer cohort study

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Minor Essential Revisions
1. In mathematic meaning, the sentence “those with BMI changes of >=-1 were considered to have experienced clinically relevant losses in weight” should be “those with BMI changes of <=-1 were considered to have experienced clinically relevant losses in weight” in the first paragraph of section “Statistical analysis”.

Major Compulsory Revisions
2. In Table 4, you compare PTS data (age-based) with the mean value of AusDiab data, and give the % of weight gained. Could you do a test (like T test) between these two types of data to check whether gained weight bigger than norms is statistical significant?
3. Could you give you all samples’ original weight data as a support material?

Discretionary Revisions
4. We suggest to revise “between six months [19-22] and five years” as “between six months [19-22] and sixty months” in section “Introduction” second paragraph and revise “assessed prospectively between six- and 72-months” as “assessed prospectively between 6- and 72-months” in the last paragraph.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests