Reviewer's report

Title: Why Muslim women in northern Ghana do not use skilled maternal healthcare services at health facilities: A qualitative study

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Minor revisions
1. 157-158 often ignored things deemed effective BY [insert] promoters of maternal healthcare access

2. Thank you for clarifying the thematic network analysis approach. I do not understand the statement that 'it is unique in that it does not aim or pretend to discover the beginning of arguments or the end of rationalization.' I am not aware that other forms of qualitative data analysis aim or pretend to do this; though I am also not clear what discovering the beginning of arguments/end of rationalisation means.

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'