Reviewer’s report

Title: Prevalence of child marriage and its impact on fertility outcomes in 34 Sub-Saharan African countries

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I think the authors did a good job responding to the reviewers' requests. I only have one last minor comment.

I think the authors need a better description of what social norms are. The need to reinforce social ties and protect their daughters don't come across as being social norms. Maybe just change the sentence "Furthermore, social norms such as the need to reinforce social ties and protect their daughters from sexual adversity are among the leading causes, as some parents believe that they can improve their social status by marrying their daughters to a well-off family" into "Furthermore, the need to reinforce social ties and protect their daughters from sexual adversity are among the leading causes, as well as the fact that some parents believe that they can improve their social status by marrying their daughters to a well-off family"

A final copy-editing and renumbering of references would make the paper more pleasant to read.

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