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The reviewer was very positive about the contribution the manuscript makes to the literature, and the need for new ways of thinking about the evaluation of complex networks. As the reviewer has suggested the manuscript would benefit ‘from more concrete approaches to these principles, including lessons and roadblocks’, we thank you for the opportunity to revise our manuscript in line with this suggestion.

Thus, we have provided further examples to enhance the manuscript as follows:

• In section 3, where we describe how our DE reflected the principles of a developmental evaluation, each subheading (3.1-3.8) now includes an example ‘in practice’.

• An additional table (Table 3) has been included on pp. 10-13. The table details examples of developmental evaluation feedback, team decisions and adaptations made.

Throughout the manuscript we have noted lessons learned and roadblocks encountered, mostly under the relevant principles. We believe these additions have strengthened the manuscript and addressed the reviewer’s comments.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to revise.