Reviewer’s report

Title: The impact of involvement on researchers: a learning experience.

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This is a good, clear, concise paper which ably demonstrates the impact of public involvement on researchers. The authors are highly expert and credible in their field and Parkinson's UK has a strong track record of developing robust public involvement as part of its research funding. Of particular merit are the examples of impact provided along with supporting quotes. I have only two suggestions - publication is dependent on neither but the paper might feel more rounded were the amendments made. They are as follows:

1. While I entirely accept that this is a paper looking at the impact of public involvement on researchers I did wonder whether there was a place for the inclusions of some comments and perspective from the patients/carers interviewed. Did their impressions match those of researchers? We're they aware of the impact their insight and experience had made?

2. The authors make a valuable point about face-to-face contact (or digital equivalents). I think this should be captured in the main conclusion.

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