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1. Please update the Title to: "Healthy Lifestyle and Life Expectancy in people with Multimorbidity in the UK Biobank: a longitudinal cohort study"	Updated.
2. Abstract: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Line 43: Please use square brackets when nesting inside other brackets: "...(median age of 58 years [range 38-73], 46% male, 95% white)..." b. At line 55, please adapt the text to "... significantly associated with a gain of 4.5 life years ...". c. Please add another limitation to the end of the Methods and Findings subsection, eg. participants not being representative of the UK as a whole. d. At line 64, please begin the sentence with "In this analysis of data from the UK Biobank, we found that ..." or similar. e. Rather than "up to 8 years" at line 65, we suggest quoting the observed maxima for men and women (i.e., 6.3 and 7.6 years). 	This has been adjusted as requested.
3. Methods: Please cite the prospective protocol on line 146 for clarity.	The protocol has now been cited.
4. Tables 2, 3: Please include p values for all relevant results.	P-values have been included in Tables 2 and 3.
5. Please upload the STROBE S1 Checklist as a separate file.	The STROBE checklist will be uploaded as a separate file.

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