The manuscript, “Escaping the lock-in to pesticide use: Do Vietnamese farmers respond to flower strips as a restoration practice or pest management action?”, by Finbarr G. Horgan et al. assess the agronomic and pest management responses by MDR rice farmers to flower strips and established that ecological engineering is best viewed as a holistic approach to ecosystem restoration (that includes pest regulation services) if farmers are to escape the lock-in to pesticide use resulting from intensification and from the availability and marketing of pesticides. The manuscript is acceptable after minor changes. My comments have been given below:

(1) The introduction could be elaborated with some more recent literature reports.

(2) Abstract is too lengthy; it should be reduced to some extent.

(3) The formatting of the reference section is required.