

# Hawthorn Common:

# CASE STUDY



## Hawthorn Common: Tasteful, fresh and energy smart

Hawthorn Common is a fresh new restaurant in Hawthorn, Victoria. Founded by Owners Danny Colls (Café Racer and Silo by Joost) and George Sykotis (The Press Club, Jimmy Grants and Gazi) Hawthorn Common provides a spacious, relaxing environment in which to enjoy a sumptuous menu. Chef Stefano Rosi (ex-Café Vue and Vue du Monde) is responsible for the carefully selected menu, which features fresh herbs collected from the terrace garden.

In addition to top notch food, Hawthorn Common aims to impress with coffee roasted on the spot and bread and pastries made in-house using flour milled onsite. Through local production Hawthorn Common can maximise freshness and flavour while reducing the environment impact of food production.

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# The Challenge

In establishing Hawthorn Common the owners wanted to provide a warm, well-lit environment. From past experience they knew that halogen lights looked good but were expensive to run and had a short life, requiring frequent replacement. Calling out electricians to replace failed low-voltage transformers also proved a frustration.

In planning the new restaurant the owners approached Energy Makeovers for advice on installing energy efficient lighting.



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# Our solution

After reviewing the plans for the restaurant and the owner's requirements, Energy Makeovers recommended installing high efficiency LED downlights in the dining area and kitchen. To provide a warm atmosphere in the main dining area we installed warm white LED lights. To meet the demands of a fast-paced high quality kitchen we installed cool white LED lights.



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# Results & benefits

The owners are delighted with the quality of light in both the dining room and kitchens. The light levels are indistinguishable from halogen lights.

By choosing high efficiency LED downlights Hawthorn Common will enjoy

- Reduced lighting costs – LED lights use 85% less power than halogen lamps
- Longer life – LED lights last over 12 times longer than halogen lights
- Increased reliability and safety – by eliminating the need for a ceiling mounted transformer LED lights reduce maintenance costs and risk of failure; (in some cases failed transformers have caused ceiling fires)
- Run cooler – LED lights operate at less than 80 degrees C



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