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Lussmanns Restaurants are finalists for two national Food Made Good Awards 2016

Lussmanns Fish & Grill, the independent group with restaurants in St Albans, Hertford and Harpenden, has been shortlisted for two prestigious Food Made Good Awards: 'The People's Favourite' and 'Small Restaurant Group of the Year'.



Organised by the Sustainable Restaurant Association (SRA) and supported by media partner *The Independent on Sunday*,

the awards recognise the unsung heroes of hospitality who go way beyond just serving delicious food.

Lussmanns is vying with some of the UK's best known restaurant names on a diverse shortlist, which reflects the hugely positive changes the industry has made in recent years to meet the dining public's ever increasing appetite for food that's delicious, ethical and sustainable.

The winners will be announced at the Food Made Good Awards on 22 March at the Royal Horticultural Society's Lindley Hall in London, where SRA President, Raymond Blanc OBE, will be presenting the coveted awards.

Mark Linehan, Managing Director of the SRA, said: "Now in their fifth year, albeit with a new name, the Food Made Good Awards recognise the incredible achievements of restaurants and the wider hospitality sector that few other awards do. With a transformation in diners' attitudes towards food and how it is produced, we believe these awards reward the unsung heroes of hospitality who go way beyond just serving delicious food."

Andrei Lussmann, Director of Lussmanns, said: "I am humbled and excited to see Lussmanns once again recognised for our efforts to make sustainable dining a reality on today's high street."

Notes

- Food Made Good is run by the Sustainable Restaurant Association (SRA) to allow food lovers to indulge their passion for dining out without having to check their principles in at the cloakroom. Restaurants, cafes and caterers are assessed on their sourcing, impact on society and environmental footprint and diners can then find out their star rating, dubbed 'The Michelin Stars of Sustainability' by The Sunday Times.
- The Food Made Good Awards celebrate everything exciting about British hospitality businesses, chefs and suppliers doing the extraordinary to make food good delicious, ethical, sustainable. See www.foodmadegood.org and @FoodMadeGood
- All but four of the awards are decided on the basis of the scores achieved in the Food Made Good rating during 2015.
 This assesses restaurants across the three pillars of sustainability; Sourcing, Society and Environment and the awards recognise the achievements of the very best sustainable foodservice businesses in the UK and globally.
- For more information and a full list of the finalists, visit http://www.foodmadegood.org/awards/winners/ and http://www.independent.co.uk/life-style/food-and-drink/features/food-made-good-awards-shortlist-announced-a6927656.html

About Lussmanns Fish & Grill Restaurants

- Lussmanns is the locals' fish & grill restaurant, championing the best welfare-driven British producers, and dedicated to looking after all the family.
- Giles Coren, food critic for *The Times*, described Lussmanns as 'everything a modern local restaurant should be' and rated us 8/10.
- We have been recommended by *The Good Food Guide* since 2010.
- We are founder members of the Sustainable Restaurant Association (SRA), SRA Three Star Sustainability
 Champions and won UK Sustainable Small Restaurant Group of the Year at the SRA Awards 2014 & 2015.
- We are rated as one of the UK's top restaurants by <u>Fish2Fork</u>, the campaigning restaurant guide for people who want to eat fish sustainably.
- We have restaurants in St Albans, Hertford and Harpenden, Hertfordshire.
- For more information, including supplier details, please visit our website at www.lussmanns.com, join us on facebook at http://www.facebook.com/LussmannsRestaurants and twitter @lussmanns and @AndreiLussmann.

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