

Chelsea Football Club has been crowned winner of Best Non-Match Day Use of Venue, at the second



annual Football Business Awards. The award ceremony – hosted by Chelsea FC - recognises the successful utilisation of football venues in activities other than matches, including conferences, exhibitions, awards ceremonies and training as well as musical and other events.

Chelsea Football Club, reckoned to be London's most complete venue, boasts 21 function rooms, 60 syndicate rooms, four bars and restaurants including two by Marco Pierre White, Under The Bridge music venue, 281 bedrooms in two hotels and London's most exclusive health club within its 11.5 acre site.

The Football Business Award praises the lengths the meeting and events team go to, from identifying emerging markets and tailoring their offering specifically to suit customer requirements. Judges comments also included: "Chelsea Football Club really work the limited space they have to maximum effect. The venue is effectively used every non-match day, in highly imaginative ways and with impressive results and is a highly flexible space with excellent customer service." Simon Hunter, Head of Venue and Brand at Chelsea Football Club, comments: "This is a brilliant endorsement of our first class venue, and highlights the professionalism and expertise of our team. We are extremely proud of our versatility as a venue and our team work tirelessly to ensure the venue's success on non-match days, something we are delighted has been acknowledged tonight".