



Tramlines strives to meet the expectations and needs of both festival goers and the community. This includes ensuring considerable steps are taken to have a contingency plan in place for wet weather each year and to ensure that reinstatement works are completed thoroughly post-event.

In July 2023, rainfall was above average throughout the UK and parts of England also had their respective wettest July on record. Sheffield experienced its second wettest July on record with the Weston Park weather station recording 176mm (7 inches) of rainfall which is more than double the 65mm national average.

Tramlines arranged meetings on the mornings of Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd July with Sheffield City Council, Licensing, members of the Safety Advisory Group and our team of Health and Safety consultants to assess the condition of the park and to ensure that the festival site was safe for opening.

Ground conditions were monitored throughout the weekend by Sheffield City Council and Tramlines committed the following resources to combat the wet weather:

- 3.6 tonnes of straw
- 20.4 tonnes of woodchip
- 22,050 square meterage of terram matting
- 3,484 square meterage of temporary road comprising trackway, LD20, supertrack and trakmat
- 605 hours of extra staffing and strict management of contractors to protect the ground, including no vehicle movement on site



Ground protection is deployed to ensure that the festival site is safe for those in attendance and a careful combination of the above resources is required to ensure that ground repairs can be completed as fast as possible post-event.

Our home at Hillsborough Park is something we love and cherish, and we have upheld our promise to get it done, get it right, cover costs of all repairs and to keep residents informed at every turn. **For more information please read 'Hillsborough Park Repairs'.**