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MISSING 25 YEAR OLD WOMAN - IPSWICH

Suffolk Police are appealing for information in relation to a 25 year old woman who has been reported as missing.

Gemma Adams, from Blenheim Road, Ipswich has not been seen since 10pm last night (Tuesday 14th November.)

Gemma walked into town with her partner and he left her around 10pm in Bramford Road, lpswich.

It is understood that Gemma had come into town to work as a prostitute.

Gemma's partner reported her missing at 2.55am this morning (Wednesday 15th November) when she failed to return home as normal.

Police have made enquiries with Gemma's friends and family and areas have been checked where Gemma is known to frequent. All enquiries so far have proved negative.

Gemma is described as white 5'2" tall, of small build with long blond hair, which was worn down and she has a spotted complexion.

When she was last seen she was wearing a black waterproof waist length jacket with a hood and a zip up the front, light blue jeans with studs on the pockets, a red top and white and chrome Nike trainers. She has several gold earrings in each ear; silver rings on both hands and wears a black watch. She was also carrying a black handbag.

Detective Chief Inspector David Skevington who is overseeing the enquiry into Gemma's disappearance said: "We are extremely concerned for Gemma's welfare. There maybe an innocent explanation why Gemma is missing, however, it is out of character for her not to return home after working in the evening and not to make contact with her partner. Because of the work Gemma does, we would consider her to be very vulnerable."

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Due to the similarities of Gemma Adams disappearance and that of Tania Nicol, Suffolk police have appointed an officer in overall command to effectively oversee both enquiries; Detective Superintendent Andy Henwood said:

"We recognise that there are obvious similarities between Gemma's disappearance and that of Tania Nicol who was reported missing to police on Wednesday 1st November. However, at this stage, we are treating these two investigations as separate."

Police will have an increased presence in the areas Gemma was known to work in Ipswich, this evening. They will be speaking to people who live and work in the area to see if they have any knowledge of where Gemma may be or saw her whilst she was working last night.

"It is important that we hear from anyone who has any knowledge of Gemma's whereabouts or had contact with her last night, they may have vital information to help us with this missing person enquiry." Concluded Detective Superintendent Henwood.

Calls should be made to Suffolk police on 01473 613538 or Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Note to Editors: A photograph of Gemma Adams is available from the Force Headquarters press office via e-mail, please call 01473 782722 if you would like a copy.