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MISSING WOMEN URGED TO COME FORWARD

Police want to hear from a second woman who has been reported missing in Ipswich following widespread publicity in relation to the murder enquiries.

Annette Nicholls, aged 29, was last seen by a member of her family either last Sunday (December 3) or Monday (December 4). She is known to work as a prostitute in Ipswich.

She was reported missing today by her family who became concerned after seeing the publicity surrounding the murders of Gemma Adams and Tania Nicol.

Annette is described as white, about 5ft 3ins tall, of slim build, with shoulder length brown wavy hair.

Officers are still making enquiries in an effort to trace Paula Clennell, who is also believed to work as a prostitute.

Paula, aged 24, hasn't been seen since Saturday night when she left an address in London Road, Ipswich, on a blue bicycle. However, we have now received a report that a friend spoke to her last night at approximately 10:30pm because she was looking for somewhere to stay.

She is described as white, about 5ft 7ins tall, of medium build with shoulder length mousey hair, blue eyes and a spotty complexion. When last seen, she was wearing blue jeans, a beige zip-up jacket with fur, a black beanie hat and trainers.

Detective Chief Superintendent Stewart Gull, head of Suffolk Police's Crime Management Department, said: "Both of these girls were reported missing as a result of the publicity generated by the enquiries in to the murders of Gamma Adams and Tania Nicol.

"There could be an innocent explanation as to why these girls are missing. We know, for example, that Paula is of no fixed address and move between addresses regularly.

"However, in the current climate, we are concerned for their welfare and are making urgent enquiries to locate them."

"I would ask either the girls themselves or anyone with information as to their whereabouts to contact police immediately."

Anyone with information should contact Suffolk Police on 01473 613500.

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