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# Missing Milly hoax outrage



THE hunt for missing Milly Dowler took a shocking twist last night when it emerged a deranged woman has been posing as the

missing youngster.

Police believe the sick hoaxer called into a

hoaxer called into a recruitment agency pretending to be Milly.

Staff at the Midlands bureau failed to recognise the name as that of the missing girl and took the woman on their books.

It is thought the hoaxer even gave the agency Milly's real mobile phone number. Police believe she may have got it by againing the trust of people who knew the schoolgirl.

The agency used the number to contact Milly, real name Amanda, when a job vacancy arose and left a message on her voicemail AFIER the 13-year-old vanished at 4pm on March 21.

### Twisted

It was on March 27-six days after Milly went missing in Waiton-on-Thames, Surrey-that the employment agency appears to have phoned her mobile.

The twisted creature also contacted TV's Crimewatch programme, claiming to be Milly.

Police say the hoaxer has hampered the investigation and previous high-profile inquiries. Offices have now been briefed on how to spot her.

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A senior officer involved in the A senior officer throated in the hunt-said last night. "Our inquiries and those of other forces have been plagued by a professional heaver who has much experience of the practices of the police and investigation methods." investigation methods

"The chances are extremely high that the individual con-cerned is a rather disturbed lady who needs care.

This individual has been to number of force areas and has been quite devious in the atten-tion-seeking methods employed." •ANYONE with information OANYONE with information about Milly should call Surrey police on 01372 471212 or the National Missing Persons 1372 ----Missing 2500 700 Helpline on 0500 700 700 Crimestoppers on 0800 555 117



touch if she has run away.

Maths teacher Sarah Ford,
42, of Farnham; Hants, said: "If
she's run away, whatever has
happened can be resolved.
She added: "If someBody is

"Someone must know some thing — she can't have disap-peared without trace.

"Her parents are being torn apart by not knowing. They are coping but they're devastated."



APPEAL: Sarah