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## **Summary**

Archaeology South-East were commissioned by Rolfe Judd Architecture to carry out an archaeological evaluation in advance of redevelopment at 29-35 High Street, Crawley, West Sussex (NGR 526770 136510). Nine trial trenches were mechanically excavated under archaeological supervision. Remains from two broad periods were identified: late medieval/post-medieval and 19<sup>th</sup> century/modern. A possible smelting furnace dating to mid 14<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> century was found, together with a mid/late 15<sup>th</sup> to mid 16<sup>th</sup>-century pit containing iron-working slag. Three undated pits, probably associated with iron-working, and a single feature associated with early/mid 19<sup>th</sup>-century iron-working were also recorded. Several brick walls and brick foundations probably relating to the late Victorian/Edwardian redevelopment of the area were recorded.

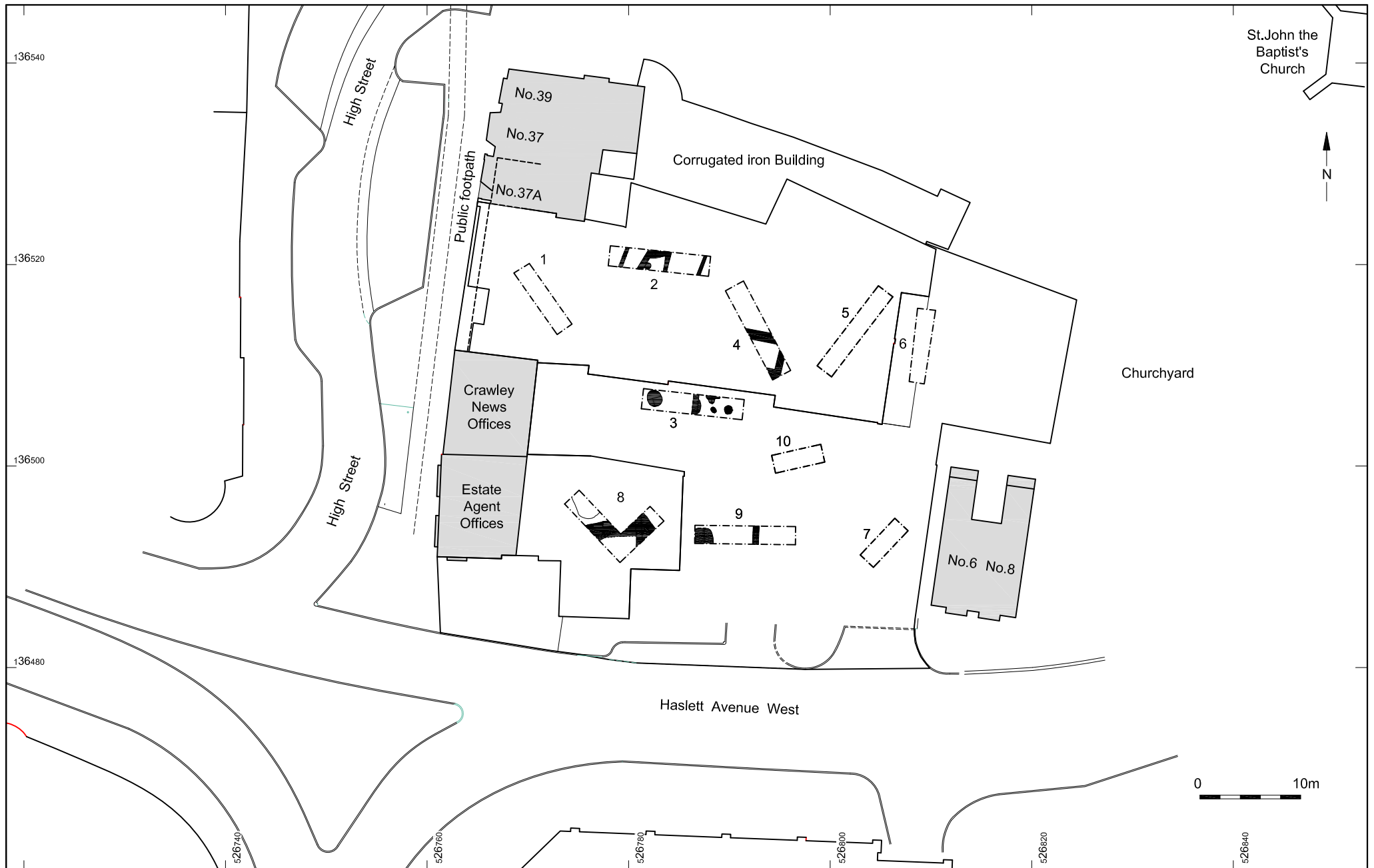
More detailed archaeological excavations are currently underway and the findings will be made available in due course.

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Pit associated with iron working



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Possible smelting furnace of 14th -15th century date



Trial trench with 15th-16th century pit in foreground

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