Summary of Changes to the Wiri Business Association Incorporated Rules (2025)

This document summarises all substantive changes made to the Rules of the Wiri Business Association Incorporated, as evidenced by the tracked changes document. Changes are highlighted using the 🟨 symbol.

I. Governance and Term Limits (Executive Committee & Officers)

The most significant updates focus on governance structure, introducing formal term limits, and clarifying key roles:

Rule	Area of Change	Summary of New Provision	Highlight (Yellow)
Rule 13.1.3	**Executive Committee Term Limit**	A new maximum term limit has been introduced. Executive Committee members are eligible for re-election but may not serve more than **six consecutive years**.	🟨 **provided they have not served more than six consecutive years.**
Rule 15.4.1	**Chairperson Term Limit**	The Chair is appointed annually by the Executive Committee but can only hold the position for **three consecutive years**.	🟨 **The Chair is appointed every year by the Executive Committee but can only hold the position of Chair for three**

			consecutive years.
Rule 15.3	**Local Board Representative Role**	Clarified and restricted the role of the Local Board Representative. This person **cannot** hold the position of Chairperson, Secretary, or Treasurer and **cannot** vote on the election of these officers.	(No direct yellow highlight, but a key substantive change based on the document comparison.)
Rule 17	**Disqualification Criteria**	The disqualification criteria for Executive Committee members have been comprehensively updated to align with the standards set out in the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, particularly regarding un-discharged bankruptcy, dishonesty offences, and prohibitions from management roles.	(Involves substantial re-drafting of the rule for legal compliance.)

II. Membership Changes

Changes were made to formalize the admission process and clarify who qualifies for membership.

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Rule 5.1	**Full Membership Statement**	A redundant sentence in the original opening of the rule was removed for clarity.	*Removed text in the original document.*
Rule 5.5.3	**Consent to Become a Member**	New mandatory requirement: a person must explicitly **consent in writing to become a member** to formalize their Full Membership.	🟨 **consents in writing to become a member.**
Rule 5.8	**Associate Member Description**	Clarified that an Associate Member may be a person who operates a business **from a residential property within or near** the BID Targeted Rating Area.	🟨...a person who operates a business **from a residential property within or near** the BID Targeted Rating Area...

III. Financial and Accountability Updates

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Rules 22.2.5 & 24.3.2	**BID Rate Increase Threshold**	A **Special Resolution** is mandatory to approve the BID targeted rate grant amount if the	🟨 **by more than 10% or $10,000 (whichever is greater) over the current year's BID targeted rate**

		proposed increase is by **more than 10% or $10,000 (whichever is greater)** over the current year's grant amount. The notice for this must be prominently highlighted.	**grant amount**
Rule 41.2.2(d)	**Record Keeping**	A new requirement for **annual accountability reporting to Auckland Council as required under the BID Policy** was added to the Association's mandatory record-keeping and filing obligations.	🟨 **annual accountability reporting to Auckland Council as required under the BID Policy.**

IV. Legal and Procedural Compliance

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Rule 1	**Defined Terms ("Act")**	The definition of "Act" has been formally updated to refer to the **Incorporated Societies Act 2022**.	🟨 **Incorporated Societies Act 2022**
Rules 19.4 & 22.4	**Written Resolutions**	Specific references to **Sections 89 to 92** of the Incorporated	🟨 **Sections 89 to 92 inclusive of the Act will also apply to Executive**

		Societies Act have been added to validate the use of written resolutions for the Executive Committee and General Meetings, formalizing this decision-making method.	**Committee meetings as if they have been set out and linked in this Constitution with the word "the Society" replace with "the Executive Committee".** (Similar wording in Rule 22.4)
Rule 27.2	**Adjourned Meeting Notice**	Clarified that the notice for an adjourned meeting (when 14 days or more) can be **written or oral**.	🟨 **written or oral notice**
Rule 45.5.3	**Amalgamation/Merger**	Explicitly requires the Council's written approval if the proposal affects provisions relevant to the BID Programme, specifically referencing the **three-year BID Targeted Rate Grant Agreement**.	🟨 **under the three-year BID Taragеted Rate Grant Agreement**